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NIKKI BOLLINGER GRAE, Individually and) Civil Action No. 3:16-cv-02267
on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,	
•	Honorable Aleta A. Trauger
Plaintiff,)
	DECLARATION AND EXPERT REPORT
VS.	AND REBUTTAL REPORT OF W. SCOTT
) DALRYMPLE
CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF	
AMERICA, et al.,	
Defendants.	

- I, W. Scott Dalrymple, CFA, declare as follows:
- 1. My name is W. Scott Dalrymple. I am over 18 years of age and am fully competent in all respects to make this declaration. I have personal knowledge of the facts and statements contained in this declaration, and each of them is true and correct.
- 2. I have been asked by counsel for Lead Plaintiff and Class Representative Amalgamated Bank, as Trustee for the LongView Collective Investment Fund and the Class to provide expert testimony in the above-captioned case.
- 3. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of my expert report entitled Expert Report of W. Scott Dalyrmple, CFA, dated August 7, 2020 and my rebuttal expert report entitled Rebuttal Expert Report of W. Scott Dalrymple, CFA, dated September 18, 2020. I declare under penalty of perjury that these reports accurately set forth the opinions I have formed in this matter. I hereby incorporate these reports into this declaration as if set forth fully herein. If asked to testify at trial, I will testify to the opinions set forth in these reports.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this ZZ day of January, 2021, at 6:14pm 057,

Dallas, TX.

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Plaintiff,

VS.

CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA, DAMON T. HININGER, DAVID M. GARFINKLE, TODD J. MULLENGER, AND HARLEY G. LAPPIN,

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EXPERT REPORT OF W. SCOTT DALRYMPLE, CFA **AUGUST 7, 2020**

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Re: Nikki Bollinger Grae, Individually and on Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated vs. Corrections Corporation of America ("CCA"), Damon T. Hininger, David M. Garfinkle, Todd J. Mullenger, and Harley G. Lappin ("Defendants")

Scope of the Engagement

- I have been retained by Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP in the above-styled case to analyze and quantify the effect of plaintiff's allegations that the Defendants engaged in a scheme to defraud investors and made materially false and misleading statements and omissions regarding CCA's business and operations that led to artificially inflated share prices between February 27, 2012 and August 17, 2016 (the "Class Period").
- 2. Generally, I understand plaintiff alleges that Defendants concealed the extent of risk related to CCA's business and operations, including by falsely stating that:
 - the outsourcing of correctional services to CCA resulted in improving correctional services for government agencies, including the Federal Bureau of Prisons ("BOP");
 - b. CCA's facilities were operated "in accordance with" applicable policies, procedures and contractual requirements;
 - CCA's renewal rate on contracts was and would remain high because of the "quality" of services it provided to government customers; and
 - the outsourcing of correctional services to CCA resulted in significant costs savings for government agencies, including the BOP.2
- 3. These and other alleged misrepresentations and omissions, according to plaintiff, resulted in artificially inflated share prices during the Class Period.

Consolidated Complaint for Violation of the Federal Securities Laws dated March 13, 2017 ("Consolidated Complaint"), ¶ 3.



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Defendant Corrections Corporation of America, commonly abbreviated "CCA," trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CXW." (See "The CCA Story: Our Company History," available at http://www.correctionscorp.com/our-history.) In October 2016, Corrections Corporation of America announced that it was rebranding its corporate enterprise as "CoreCivic." (See press release, "Corrections Corporation of America Rebrands as CoreCivic," October 28, 2016). For the purposes of this report, unless otherwise noted, CCA, CXW, Corrections Corporation of America and CoreCivic are used interchangeably.

II. Credentials and Compensation

- 4. I, W. Scott Dalrymple, am a Partner at BVA Group LLC ("BVA Group"). I am an economist and a CFA charter holder with extensive experience in economic, financial and statistical analyses. During my career, I have worked on issues relating to the analysis of economic damages involving securities litigation, business valuation, structured finance, financial derivatives, antitrust, intellectual property and breach of contract. I have advised clients in the U.S., Europe and Australia on a range of matters, including valuation and securities analysis, market structure, capital restructurings, financial and economic modelling and quantitative methods.
- 5. I have been retained as a consulting and testifying expert in a wide range of matters involving financial markets and securities, including equities, fixed income, structured products, and derivatives. I have been involved in shareholder class action matters in the US and Australia on issues related to share price inflation, market efficiency and shareholder damages. I have provided expertise on numerous litigation matters involving financial, economic, statistical, and valuation analysis.
- 6. I hold a Master of Science in economics with a concentration in Industrial Organization from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a Bachelor of Business Administration in the Business Honors Program and Finance from the University of Texas at Austin. I have written about and presented on various economic and financial topics, including financial markets and securities analysis. My full curriculum vitae, including testimony history and publications, is attached as **Appendix A**.
- 7. BVA Group is being compensated at the rate of \$675 per hour for my work in this matter. As part of performing my analysis, I utilized a team of BVA Group personnel who worked under my direction and supervision. BVA Group is being compensated for time incurred by other professionals who have supported my analysis in this matter at rates of \$250 to \$600 per hour. Neither BVA Group's nor my compensation depends on opinions provided herein or on the outcome of this litigation.

III. Information Considered

8. I have prepared this report to state my expert opinions; to describe the bases for those opinions and the reasons underlying them; to disclose the facts and data I considered in reaching my opinions; and to make other appropriate disclosures.³ The work that I conducted in this matter has been informed by my education, knowledge, and experience in economics and finance. The information in this report is based upon discovery to date and the information that is currently available. A listing of the materials I have considered in my work for this matter as of the date of this report is contained in **Appendix B**, as well as the citations presented in this report.⁴ In addition, I have had discussions with Donna Mellendick.

In addition to documents referenced in this report and attached appendices, I relied on my education, background, skills, and experience, including a body of knowledge derived from numerous other treatises and case law not specifically identified herein.



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Use of the first person "I" in my report refers either to me or to those working under my direct supervision.

9. I may review, evaluate, and analyze additional data, facts, or information as they become available. I reserve the right to amend or supplement my opinions based upon further information learned, produced, or provided to me. Therefore, the analyses and opinions described herein may be subject to change based upon additional information that becomes available or other developments that occur.

IV. Summary of Opinions

- 10. I understand plaintiff alleges that the following corrective disclosures were in the zone of the risk concealed by Defendants' fraud:
 - a. CCA's announcement on August 4, 2016 that its BOP contract for the Cibola County Corrections Center would not be renewed (the "<u>Cibola Contract Loss</u>");
 - b. The memorandum released by Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates on August 18, 2016 titled "Reducing our Use of Private Prisons" (the "Yates Memorandum").
- 11. I have measured the loss caused by the materialization of the allegedly concealed risks by reference to the share price reactions corresponding to the corrective disclosures, adjusting for the impact of factors other than the revelation of allegedly concealed risks. Based on this analysis, I have estimated share price inflation over the Class Period, as summarized in the following table:

Table 1. Per Share Inflation: February 27, 2012 to August 17, 2016

February 27, 2012 to	February 8, 2013 to	August 2, 2016 to
February 7, 2013	August 1, 2016	August 17, 2016
\$4.51	\$6.94	\$6.62

12. The above share price inflation figures would apply as of the date that the trier-of-fact determines that information revealed through the corrective disclosures was within the zone of risk concealed through Defendants' alleged fraud. Subject to these findings of fact and statutory limitations as set forth herein, one may compute damages for any member of the class of investors who acquired CCA stock during the Class Period (the "Class") based on share price inflation corresponding to the above purchase dates for shares sold or held on or after August 2, 2016.⁵

I understand that the Class includes "[a]II persons who purchased or otherwise acquired Corrections Corporation of America, Inc. ("CCA") [now "CoreCivic"] securities between February 27, 2012 and August 17, 2016, inclusive, and who were damaged thereby. Excluded from the Class are: (a) CCA, its parents, subsidiaries and any other entity owned or controlled by CCA; (b) Damon T. Hininger, Todd J. Mullenger, and Harley G. Lappin; (c) all other executive officers and directors of CCA or any of its parents, subsidiaries or other entities owned or controlled by CCA; (d) all immediate family members of the foregoing, including grandparents, parents, spouses, siblings, children, grandchildren and steprelations of similar degree; and (e) all predecessors and successors in interest or assigns of any of the foregoing. See Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, pp. 12 and 36; Lead Plaintiff's Motion for Class Certification, Appointment of Class Representative and Appointment of Class Counsel dated June 1, 2018, p. 1.



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V. Background

Α. The Class

I understand that the Class in this matter are persons who acquired CCA securities between February 27, 2012 and August 17, 2016, inclusive.⁶ I understand that this class has been granted class certification.7

B. **CCA**

- CCA is an owner of private correctional, detention and residential reentry facilities and one of the largest private prison operators in the United States.8 CCA was founded in 1983 as a company with the capability to "design, finance, build, operate and manage correctional facilities of many types in direct partnership with government agencies."9 During the Class Period, CCA owned between 45 and 49 correctional and detention facilities, managed between 11 and 22 additional correctional and detention facilities owned by government institutions, and housed an average compensated population of between 66 and 81 thousand people.¹⁰
- On February 7, 2013 after close of trading, CCA announced it reorganized from a corporation to a real estate investment trust ("REIT") for federal income tax purposes effective January 1, 2013.11 As a REIT, CCA was generally not subject to federal income tax on its taxable income and gains that it distributed to its shareholders, and was generally required to distribute annually to its shareholders at least 90% of its REIT taxable income. 12
- During the Class Period, CCA's clients consisted of U.S. governmental agencies at the federal, state and local levels. 13 Federal customers, primarily the BOP, United States Marshals Service ("USMS"), and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement ("ICE") constituted 43 to 52 percent of total CCA revenue

See, e.g., Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 9.



Consolidated Complaint, ¶ 1.

Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 36.

Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 5.

CoreCivic website, "The CCA Story: Our Company History," available at http://www.correctionscorp.com/our-history.

As of December 31, 2011, CCA owned 46 correctional and detention facilities, operated 20 additional government owned correctional and detention facilities, and housed an average compensated population of 81,016. As of December 31, 2016, CCA owned 49 correctional and detention facilities, operated 11 additional government owned correctional and detention facilities, and housed an average compensated population of 66,112. See Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2011, pp. 5 and 47; CoreCivic, Inc. 10-K for period ending December 31, 2016, pp. 5 and 64.

CCA press release, "CCA Board of Directors Authorizes REIT Conversion," February 7, 2013; Barclays Capital, "CXW Receives Its PLR; 11am Call," February 8, 2013; Macquarie Capital (USA), "Positive PLR to 'Unlock' Value in CXW," February 8, 2013; SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, "Favorable Ruling and Details on REIT Conversion," February 8, 2013

Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, pp. 5-6.

during the Class Period, and BOP revenues constituted 9 to 13 percent of total CCA revenues, as set forth in the following table: 14

Table 2. BOP Revenues as a Fraction of Total CCA Revenues¹⁵

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
BOP Revenues %	12%	12%	13%	13%	11%	9%
Federal Revenues %	43%	43%	44%	44%	51%	52%

C. **Allegations**

- Plaintiff generally alleges that CCA materially misrepresented that its correctional services offered sufficient quality and cost savings that would result in government entities continuing to renew its contracts.¹⁶ The Court described plaintiff's claims as "a single, central theory of liability: that CoreCivic and its executives falsely touted its services as offering cost savings to governments while delivering an acceptable level of quality-defined, in some instances, in relation to compliance with particular standards—such that CoreCivic was an attractive option for continued and future government contracts."17
- I understand that plaintiff alleges that CCA engaged in a scheme to mislead investors with 18. claims that their services "were of a high quality, specifically, in the eyes of their government clients." 18 CCA allegedly conveyed that its "cost-effective" offerings "provide quality corrections services" and "offer a compelling value."19 For example, Damon Hininger, CCA's President and CEO, wrote in CCA's March 2016 Annual Letter to its shareholders that "[w]e take pride in our strong record of operational excellence that has earned CCA the confidence of our government partners."20
- Plaintiff alleges that these statements concealed the reality that CCA's relationship with the BOP had deteriorated, putting their BOP contracts in jeopardy.²¹ The Consolidated Complaint includes numerous examples of CCA deficiencies and BOP complaints regarding those deficiencies, particularly

Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 6-7.



Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2012, p. 7; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 9; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2014, p. 6; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 5; CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2016, pp. 6 and 10.

Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2012, p. 9; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 9; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2014, p. 6; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 5; CoreCivic Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2016, pp. 6 and 10.

Plaintiff-Respondent's Opposition to Petition for Permission to Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(f), dated April 19, 2019, p. 3.

¹⁷ Memorandum dated December 18, 2017, pp. 25-26.

¹⁸ Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 4.

¹⁹ Consolidated Complaint, ¶¶ 120-125.

²⁰ 2015 CCA Annual Report, p. 10.

with regard to significant deficiencies in the staffing levels and medical care in BOP facilities.²² According to the Court:

Plaintiff "has identified numerous instances where CoreCivic was cited by the BOP for deficiencies in crucial service areas. It has identified statistics comparing private prisons, including CoreCivic, to the public prisons with which they compete. It has linked CoreCivic's alleged deficiencies to negative outcomes up to and including deaths. Finally, It has identified the harsh evaluations of CoreCivic and other private prison operators in the OIG Review and Yates Memorandum—evaluations that are doubly important because the authors were both (1) well-situated and knowledgeable in the field of incarceration and detention and (2) in a position to precipitate or direct the withdrawal of a substantial amount of CoreCivic's business.²³

- 20. For example, I understand CCA's BOP contract at Cibola County Corrections Center was the subject of repeated Notices of Concern regarding the quality of its services and CCA's failure to provide adequate remedies.²⁴ I also understand that the BOP sent CCA numerous Notices of Concern detailing deficiencies at CCA's Cibola County Correctional Center throughout the Class Period, including a "Cure Notice" in January 2015 noting "numerous and repetitive items of critical non-conformance in the area of Health Services, specifically, Patient Care...."²⁵ According to the Court, CCA's internal "correspondence during the Class period echoes...concerns about the BOP's assessment of CoreCivic's services and the possibility of lost contracts as a result."²⁶ I understand, however, that CCA did not disclose this information to investors.
- 21. According to plaintiff, the share price of CCA stock was artificially inflated as a result of Defendants' alleged fraud, which led the markets to believe that CCA's governmental customers, including the BOP, were sufficiently satisfied with the cost savings and level of quality of CCA's correctional services that they would continue to be CCA customers, thereby concealing the extent of the risk associated with such contracts.²⁷

D. Overview of Disclosures

22. From an economic perspective, CCA's ability to operate within applicable policies and contractual requirements while delivering high quality services and cost savings to its customers was key to its value proposition. During the Class Period, CCA repeatedly claimed that it operated its correctional services in compliance with the policies and procedures of its governmental customers.

Consolidated Complaint, ¶ 31; Plaintiff-Respondent's Opposition to Petition for Permission to Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(f), dated April 19, 2019, p. 3.



²² Consolidated Complaint, ¶¶ 43-114; Memorandum dated December 18, 2017, pp. 5-12.

Memorandum dated December 18, 2017, pp. 26-27.

²⁴ Consolidated Complaint, ¶¶ 68-86; Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, pp. 6-7.

²⁵ Consolidated Complaint, ¶¶ 68-86; Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, pp. 6-7.

Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 8.

- a. "The [Quality Assurance Division] management team coordinates overall operational auditing and compliance efforts across all CoreCivic facilities.... Our QAD also contracts with teams of ACA certified correctional auditors to evaluate compliance with ACA standards at accredited facilities."²⁸
- b. "The Audit and Compliance Systems Section includes a team of full-time auditors, who provide subject matter expertise from all major disciplines within institutional operations. Annually, and with no advance notice, these auditors conduct rigorous, on site evaluations of each facility we operate. The audit teams use highly specialized, discipline-specific audit tools, containing over 1,400 audited items across twelve major operational areas, in this detailed, comprehensive process. The results of these on-site evaluations are used to discern areas of operational strength and areas in need of management attention. The audit findings also comprise a major part of our continuous operational risk assessment and management process. Audit teams are also available to work with facilities on specific areas of need, such as meeting requirements of new partner contracts or providing detailed training of new departmental managers."²⁹
- c. "[G]overnment partners hold CCA accountable through strong oversight by utilizing a combination of formalized facility and operational standards, on-site contract monitors and detailed audit procedures to ensure strict contract compliance and to evaluate the quality of CCA's operations."³⁰
- 23. In addition, CCA emphasized its focus on maintaining safe, high-quality correctional services. For instance:
 - a. "The Quality Assurance Division provides governance for all efforts by our facilities to deliver high quality services and operations, with an absolute commitment to continuous quality improvement through the efforts of two major sections: the Research and Analysis Section and the Audit and Compliance Systems Section."
 - b. "We focus relentlessly on continuous improvement on our operations, from running even safer and more secure facilities to offering evidence-based reentry progress proven to help prepare inmates for success when they return to our communities. Ensuring our operations are performed with integrity and deliver high-quality services while creating meaningful value allows us to achieve this high level of contract retention."³²

Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2014 Earnings Call, May 08, 2014, p. 5.



Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 8. See also Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2014, p. 8.

²⁹ Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 8.

³⁰ Corrections Corporation of America Annual Letter to shareholders for year ending December 31, 2015, p. 10.

Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2012, p. 8.

- c. "Every day we remain focused on providing high-quality, safe and secure facilities that meet the needs of our government partners.... "[w]e take pride in our strong record of operational excellence that has earned CCA the confidence of our government partners." 33
- 24. CCA consistently claimed that its privatized services offered substantial cost savings to its governmental customers in comparison with publicly-operated correctional facilities.
 - a. "We believe that we offer a cost-effective alternative to our government partners by reducing their correctional services costs while allowing them to avoid long-term pension obligations for their employees and large capital investments in new prison beds."³⁴
 - b. "Now this is because of what I've been trying to highlight for several years, which is that State DOC budgets typically do not fully embed the cost of pensions, healthcare cost and capital outlays as it relates to the corrections departments. With all these factors, all these costs factored in which clearly has not been the case in the past, when cost comparisons are done between us and the public sector, our value proposition grows even further."³⁵
 - c. "We collaborate with our government partners to provide flexible, timely and costeffective solutions to address their unique needs."³⁶
- 25. Analysts' commentary on the quality and cost savings of CCA's services were, likewise, generally positive. Analysts echoed CCA's claims, in some cases citing the same study and evidence that CCA promoted.
 - a. "There is growing evidence that customers achieve cost savings. The VERA Institute for Justice's recent report found fully loaded taxpayer costs were 14% higher than DOC budgets when including hidden costs shouldered by other departments (e.g. unfunded benefits, legal, and maintenance)."37
 - b. "A projected annual demand for beds is being met with below-average supply... This coupled with the access to capital, time efficiencies, and cost savings (particularly in light of cash-strapped budgets) offered by the private operators makes companies like GEO and CXW good investments for the long-term-oriented investor, in our opinion."³⁸

Barclays Capital, "Awaiting PLRs but Returning as REITs," January 8, 2013.



Corrections Corporation of America Annual Letter to shareholders for year ending December 31, 2015, p. 10.

Corrections Corporation of America Annual Letter to shareholders for year ending December 31, 2015, p. 10. See also Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2014, p. 18; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 19; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2012, p. 19.

³⁵ Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2016 Earnings Call, February 14, 2013, p. 8.

Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2016 Earnings Call, August 04, 2016, p. 4.

³⁷ SunTrust Robinson, "Corrections Future Is Solid Despite FL Decision," February 17, 2012.

- C. "There are many older and inefficient prisons that need to be replaced (over 215,000 pubic prison beds are located in facilities over 75 years old). These older facilities are much more expensive to maintain and manage than more modern facilities...Replacing older public prisons saves money on operating costs and improves safety...Going forward we anticipate strong growth in private prisons over publicly constructed and managed prisons for the following reasons...It is more cost effective to privatize the management of prisons, with savings primarily resulting from labor efficiencies and lower pension expenses."39
- d. "[O]n top of the capital deployment benefit there is also the potential for operating cost savings. Studies on this topic are more mixed, but we generally believe that the private industry operates more efficiently than government entities. While there are exceptions to that blanket statement, we believe it applies to the prison industry for the most part. CXW provides a schedule of three agencies in particular, where such savings are in excess of 15% relative to government-run properties."40
- e. "[W]ith ever-dwindling budgets, we believe the commitment of building an entirely new project (which could take many months, if not years), as well as the capital devoted to such an endeavor, is very burdensome to a jurisdiction. With CXW's quality in operations and simply writing a monthly lease payment, it's far easier to flip a switch to turn the lights back on in order to alieve [sic] the capacity issues."41
- 26. In addition, CCA pointed to historical customer retention rates as an important driver of stable and predictable cash flow. For instance, according to CCA:
 - ...a majority of our contracts have terms between one and five years, and we have historically experienced customer retention of approximately 90%, which contributes to our relatively predictable and stable revenue base. This stream of revenue combined with our low maintenance capital expenditure requirement translates into steady predictable cash flow.42
- 27. The retention of customer relationships and contracts were key drivers of CCA's revenue and earnings during the Class Period. As CCA claimed:
 - "We have an above-average dividend payout ratio and also a historical customer retention rate in excess of 90%."43

Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2013 Earnings Call, Aug 08, 2013, p. 8.



CRT Capital, "Initiating Coverage of CXW; Expect Earnings Revisions, "FV," \$35 PT," January 23, 2014.

⁴⁰ Cannacord Genuity, "Positive on Prison REITs: We're dancin' to the Jailhouse Rock," July 13, 2015.

Cannacord Genuity, "Behind the Bars: Bi-Weekly Prison Update 10-5-15,", October 5, 2015.

Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 17. See also Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2014, p. 17; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 20; CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2016, p. 23.

- b. "Historical customer retention rate is in excess of 90%, which we expect to maintain based on our renewal activity this year."⁴⁴
- c. "And for many years, CCA has enjoyed strong customer retention rates in excess of 90%, and each spring late summer we renew many of our contracts with our state partners."⁴⁵
- d. "...over the last 6, 7 years, again with changes in leadership both at state and federal level, we've had renewal rates on our contracts north of 90%."
- 28. Analysts covering CCA echoed management's comments, referring to the company's high retention rates:
 - a. "CXW has been successful in retaining its customers over history, with retention rates averaging about 91% since 2009. The company has had slightly more success with its owned & managed contracts, which have averaged 92%, versus its managed only contracts, which have averaged 87%."⁴⁷
 - b. "Government RFPs for contracts in the private prison sector tend to be very sticky and long-term in nature, with average terms of 3-5 years excluding renewal options. Furthermore, both GEO and CXW have historically operated with a strong renewal rate over the past few years, in excess of 90% for both companies annually."48
 - c. "[W]e note that CXW still boasts a high, ~85%+ retention rate."49
- 29. Based on my review, neither CCA nor analysts distinguished the risk to the BOP relationship stemming from CCA's performance issues. Similarly, I have seen no evidence to suggest that market participants understood the extent of the risks that the company faced as a result of its deteriorating relationship with the BOP.
- 30. On August 3, 2016, after the close of trading and as part of its second quarterly announcement of earnings and financial guidance, CCA announced that the BOP contract for Cibola was not being renewed.⁵⁰ Following the announcement of the Cibola Contract Loss and other news in its earnings release, CCA's closing share price dropped from \$31.03 on August 3, 2016 to \$29.11 on August 4, 2016.⁵¹

⁵¹ Bloomberg, LP.



⁴⁴ Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2014 Earnings Call, May 08, 2014, p. 9.

⁴⁵ Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2014 Earnings Call, Aug 07, 2014, p. 5.

⁴⁶ Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2016 Earnings Call, May 05, 2016, p. 14.

Wells Fargo, "CXW: Initiating Coverage With A Market Perform Rating," December 19, 2014.

⁴⁸ Cannacord Genuity, "Positive on Prison REITs: We're dancin' to the Jailhouse Rock," July 13, 2015, p. 23.

⁴⁹ Macquarie Capital (USA), "Federal Contract Escapes CXW," December 29, 2014.

⁵⁰ Press release, "CCA Reports Second Quarter 2016 Financial Results," August 3, 2016.

- 31. On August 11, 2016, the OIG published "Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Monitoring of Contract Prisons" (the "OIG Review").⁵² According to plaintiff, the OIG Review reported that between 2011 through 2014, private prisons incurred more safety and security incidents per capita than comparable BOP institutions without offering significant cost savings.⁵³ CCA's closing share price fell from \$27.56 on August 10, 2016 to \$27.39 on August 11, 2016.⁵⁴
- 32. On August 18, 2016, Deputy Attorney General Sally Yates released a memorandum titled "Reducing our Use of Private Prisons" from the Office of the Deputy Attorney General to the Acting Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. The Yates Memorandum stated that "[p]rivate prisons served an important role during a difficult period" when the federal inmate population was increasing.⁵⁵ However, the federal prison population was beginning to decline. According to the Yates Memorandum,

...time has shown that [private prisons] compare poorly to our own Bureau facilities. They simply do not provide the same level of correctional services, programs, and resources; they do not save substantially on costs; and as noted in a recent report by the Department's Office of Inspector General, they do not maintain the same level of safety and security.⁵⁶

- 33. Consequentially, the Yates Memorandum stated that "as each contract reaches the end of its term, the Bureau should either decline to renew that contract or substantially reduce its scope in a manner consistent with law and the overall decline of the Bureau's inmate population." The Yates Memorandum noted "that the Bureau is already taking steps in this direction," referring to the Cibola Contract Loss in which "the Bureau declined to renew a contract for approximately 1,200 beds." It also stated that, "concurrent with the release of this memo, the Bureau is amending an existing contract solicitation to reduce an upcoming contract award from a maximum of 10,800 beds to a maximum of 3,600."
- 34. The price of CCA shares dropped substantially immediately after the Yates Memorandum was released, from a closing price of \$27.22 on August 17, 2016 to a closing price of \$17.57 on August 18, 2016.⁶⁰

⁶⁰ Bloomberg, LP.



Office of the Inspector General, "Review of the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Monitoring of Contract Prisons," August 11, 2016.

⁵³ Consolidated Complaint, ¶ 12, 38-42.

⁵⁴ Bloomberg, LP.

⁵⁵ Yates Memorandum.

⁵⁶ Yates Memorandum.

⁵⁷ Yates Memorandum.

⁵⁸ Yates Memorandum.

⁵⁹ Yates Memorandum.

VI. Analysis of Corrective Disclosures

- 35. As a general proposition, modern finance theory holds that, in an efficient market, the market price of a share is the present value of the market's expectations of future economic benefits available to shareholders, discounted at the opportunity cost of capital, which reflects the risk associated with those benefits. All else equal, the market price of a share will be reduced when the amount of expected future cash flows is reduced and/or the riskiness associated with expected future cash flows is increased.
- 36. When a firm conceals or misleads the market about the expected amount and/or extent of the risk of future cash flows, this may inflate its share price to a price that is higher than it would otherwise have been had the firm not concealed the relevant information. In the event that the market receives new information that partially or completely reveals the true expectations and/or risk, the new market equilibrium (as reflected in the share price) reflects investors' new consensus about expected future economic benefits and risk.
- 37. In order to estimate inflation based on a company's share price reaction, certain conditions must hold. Importantly, the corrective disclosure must contain information relevant to the alleged contraventions, such that the disclosure of the relevant information may be used to infer how market participants adjusted expectations in response to the news. When a corrective disclosure also contains information unrelated to the allegations, known as *confounding information*, it is necessary to remove the effects of this confounding information in order to isolate the share price reaction to information pertaining to the alleged contraventions.
- 38. I understand that courts have considered evidence that a security traded in a market characterized by the semi-strong form of the efficient market hypothesis ("EMH") —under which all publicly available information is incorporated into the price of an actively traded asset—as evidence that it is appropriate to invoke the "fraud on the market" presumption with respect to that security in the context of securities litigation. The consequence of the semi-strong form of the EMH is that share prices adjust quickly to reflect the discounted value of expected future cash flows, and that investors' expectations as to future cash flows reflect the appropriate, risk-adjusted discount rate. This ensures that the share price

According to an *amici curiae* brief of testifying economists submitted to the Supreme Court, "economists do *not* generally disagree about whether market prices respond to new material information. In particular, there is little doubt that the stock price will increase reasonably promptly after favorable news about a company is released and decline after unfavorable news." Brief of Financial Economists as Amici Curiae in Support of Respondent, *Halliburton Co. and David Lesar v. Erica P. John Fund, Inc., FKA Archdiocese of Milwaukee Supporting Fund, Inc., February 5*, 2014, pp. 8-9 (emphasis in original).



The value of an asset or security is generally driven by the discounted value of future cash flows it is expected to generate. Discounted cash flows refers to cash flows that have been adjusted to their present value on the basis that a dollar received today is worth more than a dollar received in the future, taking into account the time value of money as well as the risk that future cash flows may not materialize. See, e.g. Pratt, Shannon, P., Valuing a Business: The Analysis and Appraisal of Closely Held Companies, 5th ed., McGraw Hill (2008), p. 175.

Basic, 485 U.S. at 245-46; Campbell, John; Lo, Andrew W.; and MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1997, pp. 22.

after the corrective disclosure reflects investors' revised expectations and, therefore, that the share price reaction is indicative of the corrective disclosure's effect on the company's value.⁶⁴

39. I have concluded that CCA traded in a market that was semi-strong form efficient during the Class Period.⁶⁵ My discussion and analysis of market efficiency is found in **Appendix C** of this report.

A. **Event Study**

- Having established that CCA traded in a market that was semi-strong form efficient during the Class Period, one may then look to the share price decline following the revelation of allegedly withheld information to assess the impact of those disclosures when they were made.
- In order to examine the extent to which CCA's share price responded to information disclosed through the corrective disclosures at issue in this matter, I apply a widely accepted technique known as an event study.⁶⁶ Event studies examine share price returns corresponding to a particular event window, during which the event in question occurred. An event study may be used to isolate the impact of an announcement corresponding to a particular event from other factors that would have affected the share price at that time, such as macroeconomic news affecting broad market indices.
- A widely used application of the event study is known as the market model.⁶⁷ The market model is based on regression analysis, which provides a statistical framework for examining the nature and form of the relationship between two or more variables. In this case, a market model may be used to explain or predict changes in the dependent variable, in this case CCA's share price returns, as a function of changes in the values of the independent variables, such as returns to the overall U.S. stock market and an industry sector index.

Campbell, John, Andrew W. Lo and A. Craig MacKinlay. The Econometrics of Financial Markets. Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press (1997), Chapters 4-6. See also, A. Craig MacKinlay, "Event Studies in Economics and Finance," Journal of Economic Literature, Vol. 35. No. 1, Mar. 1997.



While market participants have different perceptions and expectations regarding the characteristics of assets, which determine their willingness to pay for a security, the confluence of these differences determines a market equilibrium value. See Campbell, John, Andrew W. Lo and A. Craig MacKinlay, The Econometrics of Financial Markets. Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press (1997), pp. 20-25. See also Fama, Eugene, "Random Walks in Stock Market Prices," Financial Analysts Journal, January-February (1995), pp.3-4.

I considered, but did not rely on, the expert reports of Professor Steven P. Feinstein, Ph.D., CFA, the plaintiff's expert on market efficiency. Professor Feinstein also concluded that CCA's stock traded in an efficient market during the Class Period. I note that that "CoreCivic has conceded that its stock traded on an efficient market" (see Memorandum dated January 18, 2019, p. 9), and that the Court arrived at the same conclusion. See Report on Market Efficiency, Professor Steven P. Feinstein, Ph.D., CFA dated June 1, 2018, ¶¶ 17-19; Rebuttal Report of Professor Steven P. Feinstein, Ph.D., CFA dated October 26, 2018, ¶ 1; Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 35 ("Because Amalgamated has established that CoreCivic stock traded on an efficient market and the defendants' statements were public and made during the Class Period...").

Campbell, John; Lo, Andrew W.; and MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1997, Chapter 4. See also Halliburton II, 573 U.S. at 280-81.

- 43. The market model works by predicting what the share price return would have been based on movements in market indices on a particular day.⁶⁸ By subtracting predicted returns from the actual returns, one can estimate the change in the company's share price that is not explained by wider market phenomena, which is known as the *abnormal return*. Thus, the abnormal return is the difference between the return predicted by the market model and the actual return associated with the event at issue.
- 44. In cases where the abnormal return is statistically significant, it may be reasonable to conclude that it was caused by the event in question, provided the news became available to the market at the time of (or just prior to) the abnormal movement.⁶⁹ If no confounding information was released at the same time, the abnormal return may be used as an estimate of the corrective disclosure's effect on the value of a company's shares; otherwise, it is necessary to disaggregate the effect of the corrective disclosure from the portion of the abnormal return attributable to the confounding information.
- 45. The market model can control for broad market movements as well as industry-specific information that is not specific to the company. In addition, market models may also include indicator variables to control for other events, such as earnings announcements, that one would expect to affect share price returns on days outside the event window.⁷⁰
- 46. The market model I apply uses the S&P 500 Total Return Index to control for broad market movements along with two different indexes:⁷¹
 - a. Between February 27, 2012 through February 7, 2013, prior to CCA's announcement that it was converting to a REIT, I use the S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index (the "S&P 400 Index") to control for industry specific performance.
 - b. Between February 8, 2013 and August 17, 2016, I use the FTSE Nareit All Equity REITs Index (the "<u>REIT Index</u>") adjusted to exclude the returns of CCA to control for REIT sector performance in addition to the S&P400 Index.

Details of this model are set forth in **Appendix C**.



Share price returns are computed as the percentage movements in the security price. For the purposes of estimating the market model, share price returns are typically expressed as logarithmic returns, or log returns. Specifically, a log return is the natural logarithm of the ratio of two daily closing security prices: $\ln(P_t/P_{t-1})$, where 'ln' is the natural logarithm, ' P_t ' refers to the security price on day t and ' P_{t-1} ' refers to the security price one trading day prior to day t.

Statistical significance represents the likelihood that a result or observed relationship between two variables is unlikely under a specific hypothesis. Hypothesis testing is traditionally employed to determine if a result is statistically significant or not. This provides a "p-value" representing the probability of observing data as extreme as that which was measured if the null hypothesis is indeed true. A statistically significant result at the one percent significance level is one in which there is a less than one percent probability of observing this data if the null hypothesis were true. Such p-values are also often described in terms of confidence levels by subtracting the p-value from 100 percent, as done above. See, for instance, Wooldridge, Jeffrey M., Introductory Econometrics, 6th ed., Boston, MA: Cengage Learning (2016), p. 119.

⁷⁰ Indicator variables take a value of one on the relevant day and zero on all other days.

- 47. In addition to the market and industry indices, I include indicator variables for each day on which CCA released earnings results, which measure CCA's returns on those days when one may expect statistically significant abnormal returns.⁷²
- 48. I estimate the market model over the one year period preceding the corrective disclosures.⁷³ Results of my analysis are presented in **Exhibit 1** and **Exhibit 2**.

B. Corrective Disclosures

- 49. According to plaintiff's allegations, "[i]t was not until the Yates Memorandum announced that CoreCivic contracts would be terminated and stated that BOP was 'already taking steps in this direction,' that CoreCivic's deficient services were specifically linked to the loss of business—and to Defendants' misrepresentations that its relationship with governmental entities would remain strong because of the quality of its services."⁷⁴ In its memorandum certifying the Class in this case, the Court wrote that the plaintiff "argued that price impact was established by the decline in price following the release of the Yates Memorandum, via a 'materialization of risk' theory."⁷⁵
- 50. I understand plaintiff alleges, *inter alia*, that information contained in the Yates Memorandum and the Cibola Contract Loss (which was referenced in the Yates Memorandum) were corrective disclosures that revealed to the market relevant information that had been previously withheld.⁷⁶ Through these announcements, plaintiff alleges that market participants learned of CCA's true business condition and the extent of the risks concealed from investors. As a result, according to plaintiff, CCA's share price was artificially inflated, and declined as a result of these announcements.⁷⁷
- 51. While the information contained in the OIG Review also related to certain information allegedly concealed in this matter, it is my understanding that plaintiff contends that this information did not reveal the truth about the concealed risks.⁷⁸ In addition, I understand that the Court has found that, "due to limitations on its date range, subject matter, and methodology," the OIG Review failed to "bridge the gap

Plaintiff-Respondent's Opposition to Petition for Permission to Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(f), dated April 19, 2019, pp. 4-5, 16-18.



⁷² The market and industry indices include returns for Geo Group, Inc. ("GEO"), a publicly-traded prison operator whose share price also was impacted by the Yates Memorandum. Including or excluding GEO from these indices does not significantly affect the results of my analysis.

The market model in this matter may be estimated over different time periods (*estimation windows*) within the Relevant Period and using alternative specifications. Using alternative estimation windows and specifications, however, does not materially affect the resulting abnormal returns.

Plaintiff-Respondent's Opposition to Petition for Permission to Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(f), dated April 19, 2019, p. 17 (internal citations omitted).

Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 25.

⁷⁶ Consolidated Complaint, ¶¶ 192, 196-199.

⁷⁷ Consolidated Complaint, ¶¶ 196-199.

between CoreCivic's representations and the truth."⁷⁹ Accordingly, I do not consider the OIG Review as a corrective disclosure.

C. Calculation of abnormal returns

1) Cibola Contract Loss

- 52. CCA announced the Cibola Contract Loss in conjunction with its second quarter 2016 earnings results after the market had closed on August 3, 2016, such that the market's reaction to this announcement was reflected in CCA's share price on August 4, 2016. On that day, CCA's price fell from \$31.03 to \$29.11, a decline of 6.2 percent. The abnormal return was negative 5.9 percent and was statistically significant at the 1 percent level, as set forth in **Exhibit 1**.80
- 53. It appears that news of the Cibola Contract Loss was first published in a news article after market close on August 1, 2016 by a local Albuquerque news station, followed by another news story on August 2, 2016 in the *Gallup Independent*, a local newspaper in Gallup, New Mexico.⁸¹ CCA's share price fell from \$32.54 on August 1, 2016 to \$31.86 on August 2, 2016 and again to \$31.03 on August 3, 2016 (declines of 2.1 percent and 2.6 percent, respectively). Although CCA's shares experienced negative abnormal returns on both days, neither of these daily price declines was statistically significant (at the five percent level).⁸²

2) Yates Memorandum

54. On August 18, 2016, the Yates Memorandum was released. The Yates Memorandum stated that "time has shown that [private prisons] compare poorly to our own Bureau facilities. They simply do not provide the same level of correctional services, programs, and resources; they do not save substantially on costs; and as noted in a recent report by the Department's Office of Inspector General, they do not maintain the same level of safety and security."83 The Yates Memorandum further directed the BOP to "either decline to renew [BOP] contract[s] or substantially reduce [their] scope in a manner consistent with law and the overall decline of the Bureau's inmate population."84

⁸⁴ Yates Memorandum.



⁷⁹ Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, pp. 32-33.

Statistical significance is the likelihood that a result or observed relationship between two variables is unlikely under a specific hypothesis. Hypothesis testing is traditionally employed to determine if a result is statistically significant or not. This provides a "p-value" representing the probability of observing data as extreme as that which was measured if the null hypothesis is indeed true. A statistically significant result at the 1 percent significance level is one in which there is a less than 1 percent probability of observing this result if the null hypothesis were true. See, e.g., Wooldridge, Jeffrey M., Introductory Econometrics, 6th ed., Boston, MA: Cengage Learning, 2016, p. 119.

^{*}Cibola County Correctional Center Closing," KOAT Albuquerque, August 1, 2016; "Milan Prison to Close; 254 Facing Layoffs," The Gallup Independent, August 2, 2016.

⁸² Exhibit 1.

⁸³ Yates Memorandum.

- 55. Following the Yates Memorandum, CCA's share price declined from \$27.22 to close at \$17.57 on August 18, 2016, a decline of \$9.65 (35.5 percent).⁸⁵ The share price reaction following the Yates Memorandum on August 18, 2016 was significant and negative. As set forth in **Exhibit 2**, CCA's abnormal return on this day was negative 35.5 percent. This abnormal return was significant at the 1 percent level.
- 56. Before the markets opened on August 19, 2016, CCA issued a press release announcing a conference call later that day to respond to the Yates Memorandum, stating that "we are disappointed with the BOP's decision to reduce its utilization of privately operated facilities to meet their capacity needs, and believe our value proposition remains strong." The press release also stated that its BOP contracts "represent approximately \$131.2 million in annual revenues, or approximately seven percent of CCA's total annual revenue, at operating margins consistent with CCA's owned and managed facility portfolio average."
- 57. On the conference call, Damon Hininger generally conveyed that the Yates Memorandum did not impact its contracts with the Marshals Service, ICE, and state governments, and told listeners that "we clearly save money for taxpayers in the United States under our BOP contracts, and this memo doesn't dispute that fact, but that savings doesn't come at the risk of lower quality."88 He also stressed that they were not surprised by the reduction in BOP procurement of private prison facilities in the face of the BOP's success in reducing their system population.89
- 58. In addition to this conference call, analysts also released commentary discussing the impact of the Yates Memorandum, such that the share price reaction on this day would have reflected the market's further reaction to this news (as no additional information about CCA appears to have been released).
- 59. On August 19, 2016, CCA's stock increased by \$1.51 (8.59 percent), to close at \$19.08.90 As set forth in **Exhibit 2**, the abnormal return on August 19, 2016 was positive 9.1 percent and was significant at the 1 percent level.91

⁹¹ See Exhibit 2.



⁸⁵ Bloomberg, LP.

⁸⁶ CCA press release, "CCA Responds to the Department of Justice's Decision to Reduce Reliance on Privately Operated Prisons and Announces Investor and Analyst Conference Call," August 19, 2016.

⁸⁷ CCA press release, "CCA Responds to the Department of Justice's Decision to Reduce Reliance on Privately Operated Prisons and Announces Investor and Analyst Conference Call," August 19, 2016.

⁸⁸ CoreCivic, Inc. Special Call, August 19, 2016, pp. 6-7.

CoreCivic, Inc. Special Call, August 19, 2016, pp. 5, 12 ("I think that's what we're seeing happen with CAR XVI, that they have their system population come down by 26,000 in May, so they do have the capacity within their system. So I think that's why you're seeing, with the CAR XVI action, is a pulling back of some of the beds they've got within the private sector because they have had that reduction.") I understand plaintiff contends that the information provided through this call was misleading.

⁹⁰ Bloomberg, LP.

D. Analysis of the corrective disclosures

1) Cibola Contract Loss

- As previously discussed, I understand that news of the Cibola Contract Loss was first published in a news article after market close on August 1, 2016 by the local press in New Mexico. While the local news articles indicated that the BOP had elected not to renew the Cibola contract, there appears to have been no analyst reaction to the news until after CCA provided further information in its press release after the close of daily trading on August 3, 2016, nor were the abnormal returns on August 2, 2016 and August 3, 2013 statistically significant (at the five percent level).
- On August 3, 2016, after the close of daily trading and as part of its second quarterly announcement of earnings and financial guidance, CCA announced that the BOP contract for Cibola contract was not being renewed.92 On the next day, August 4, 2016, CCA's President, CEO and Director Damon T. Hininger told analysts:
 - ...I would like to provide a brief update on other recent business developments. Last week, we received word from the BOP that they intend not to renew our contract at the 1,129-bed Cibola County Corrections Center which is set to expire on September 30, 2016. Of course, we are disappointed with the Bureau's decision not to renew, but the federal inmate population has declined by nearly 25,000 in the last 3 years, resulting in reduced overcrowding in BOP operated facilities. Today, the BOP is operating at approximately 117% of their rate of capacity, down from a roughly 140% 3 years ago. We are committed to work with the BOP through the transition of Cibola and continue to operate 3 additional correctional facilities on behalf of the BOP.93
- 62. Executive VP and CFO David Garfinkle added that guidance was being reduced by \$0.01 for the fourth quarter for the non-renewal of Cibola. 94 Other news in that earnings announcement were mixed. CCA reported funds from operations ("FFO") per share for the quarter above consensus, raised its FFO guidance, but slightly lowered its adjusted FFO ("AFFO") guidance for 2016.95 CCA also discussed the renegotiation of its ICE contract at the South Texas Family Residential Center ("STFRC"), which analysts understood accounted for approximately 15 to 23% of its earnings. 96
- CCA's earnings results were met with generally negative reactions by analysts, who expressed concern over the Cibola Contract Loss and STFRC renegotiation. Analysts expected a rate cut for the

Cannacord Genuity, "Takeaways from meetings with management: cash flow risk lower than perceived," March 21, 2016; Cannacord Genuity, "2Q review: STFRC renegotiation ambiguity limits near-term upside; reiterate HOLD," August 4, 2016; SunTrust Robinson, "Renegotiation With ICE Ongoing; Maintain Neutral," August 4, 2016; Wells Fargo, "CXW: Updating Estimates & Valuation Range After Q2 Earnings Uncertainty Around South TX Facility Likely To Limit Upside," August 10, 2016.



Press release, "CCA Reports Second Quarter 2016 Financial Results," August 3, 2016.

⁹³ CoreCivic, Inc. FQ2 2016 Earnings Call Transcript, August 4, 2016, p. 7.

CoreCivic, Inc. FQ2 2016 Earnings Call Transcript, August 4, 2016, p. 8.

CoreCivic, Inc. FQ2 2016 Earnings Call Transcript, August 4, 2016, pp. 8-9; Wells Fargo, "CXW: First Look--South TX Uncertainty Likely To Weigh On Shares," August 4, 2016. CCA announced second-quarter AFFO of \$0.65 per share, ahead of May's previous guidance of \$0.61 to \$0.63 per share. CCA also raised 2016 FFO guidance from \$2.64 to \$2.68 (up from \$2.60 to \$2.66) and slightly lowered 2016 full-year AFFO/share guidance to \$2.53 - \$2.57 (from \$2.53 - \$2.59).

STFRC contract, which had been negotiated at a high per diem and accounted for a disproportionate share of CCA profits.⁹⁷ With respect to the Cibola Contract Loss, analysts considered the loss of approximately \$0.04 FFO per year into their valuations along with other revisions that CCA made to its guidance.⁹⁸

- 64. While the renegotiation of the STFRC facility was the main headline, the Cibola Contract Loss also attracted analysts' attention:
 - a. "Closing of the Cibola facility will result in \$0.01 cut from quarterly EPS, which is reflected in the company's guidance." 99
 - b. "The decision comes after the BOP has reduced populations by 25k over the past three years, and the outsized 140% of BOP design capacity of three years ago has dipped to a more reasonable 117% of design capacity." 100
 - c. "Notably, our updated 2017 estimate assumes a full-year negative impact related to the announced non-renewal of a Bureau of Prisons (BOP) contract at the company's Cibola County Corrections Center."¹⁰¹
- 65. CCA's share price fell by approximately 6.2 percent between August 3 and August 4, 2016 with an abnormal return of approximately 5.9 percent.¹⁰²
- 66. The Cibola Contract Loss, which was referenced in the Yates Memorandum two weeks later as a step in the direction of reducing reliance on private prisons, was a partial corrective disclosure to the extent it reduced the value of the BOP relationship that plaintiff alleges caused CCA's stock to be inflated.¹⁰³ The announcement of the Cibola Contract Loss, however, did not reveal the extent to which the BOP relationship had deteriorated nor did it link the loss of the contract to CCA's poor performance.
- 67. The extent to which the Cibola Contract Loss was reflected in CCA's share price reaction is not directly observable due to: 1) the lack of a significant price reaction to the initial news about the Cibola Contract Loss on August 1, 2016 (consistent with the facility's relatively small contribution to FFO); and 2) the substantial confounding information disclosed in conjunction with additional news about the Cibola Contract Loss on August 4, 2016 (*i.e.* risk to the STFRC and other earnings news). Therefore, in order to estimate the extent to which CCA's share price was inflated as a result of the concealed risks associated with the Cibola Contract Loss, I look to the extent to which earnings from this facility had driven previous

¹⁰³ Yates Memorandum.



⁹⁷ Cannacord Genuity, "2Q review: STFRC renegotiation ambiguity limits near-term upside; reiterate HOLD," August 4, 2016; Wells Fargo, "CXW: Updating Estimates & Valuation Range After Q2 Earnings Uncertainty Around South TX Facility Likely To Limit Upside," August 10, 2016.

SunTrust Robinson, "Renegotiation With ICE Ongoing; Remain Neutral," August 4, 2016; Wells Fargo, "CXW: Updating Estimates & Valuation Range After Q2 Earnings Uncertainty Around South TX Facility Likely To Limit Upside," August 10, 2016.
 SunTrust Robinson, "Renegotiation With ICE Ongoing: Remain Neutral," August 4, 2016.

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Wells Fargo, "CXW: Updating Estimates & Valuation Range After Q2 Earnings Uncertainty Around South TX Facility Likely To Limit Upside," August 10, 2016.

¹⁰² Exhibit 1.

expectations. Analysts covering CCA generally looked to the company's FFO, a widely used measure of performance for REITs, which CCA also reported in its public filings and on its earnings calls.¹⁰⁴

- 68. Although market participants would not have known the precise amount of the Cibola contract's contribution to CCA's FFO until August 4, 2016, it was previously known that this contract accounted for well less than five percent of CCA's business. Before the corrective disclosure, Canaccord Genuity had estimated in 2015 that the Cibola contract contributed \$0.08 in annual FFO/share. When the Cibola Contract Loss was announced, however, CCA stated that the loss reduced quarterly FFO by \$0.01 per share and expected annual FFO by \$0.04 per share. For the purpose of this analysis, \$0.04 per share is a reasonable estimate of the reduction in FFO expectations associated with the Cibola Contract Loss.
- 69. At the time of the Cibola Contract Loss, CCA was trading at a multiple of approximately 11.5x FFO.¹⁰⁷ I have seen no evidence to suggest that risk and growth expectations associated with CCA's BOP business was significantly higher or lower than the company's overall business, which suggests that one may apply CCA's overall multiple to estimate the value associated with the Cibola contract. Applying this multiple to the \$0.04 per share reduction in FFO associated with the Cibola facility implies that the total value of the Cibola Contract Loss was approximately \$0.46 per share, which falls well within the aggregate share price decline that corresponded to the partial corrective disclosure.¹⁰⁸

2) Yates Memorandum

70. In contrast to the partial corrective disclosure associated with the Cibola Contract Loss, I understand plaintiff alleges the Yates Memorandum revealed to the market the extent to which the BOP relationship had deteriorated. Namely, the Yates Memorandum resulted in changes to the market's perception of CCA's value proposition, reductions in expectations related to CCA's existing BOP business and CCA's ability to secure future business, along with increased concerns over wider implications for CCA's other federal and state contracts. That the impact of the Yates Memorandum extended beyond the value of the BOP contracts is unsurprising, since the corrective disclosure would have resulted in an increase in the perceived risk of CCA's other profit streams due to the BOP's decision and CCA's failure to disclose the extent of this risk prior to the Yates Memorandum.¹⁰⁹

See, for instance, Karpoff, Jonathan, Lee, D. Scott, and Martin, Gerald S., "The Cost to Firms of Cooking the Books," Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis 43(3) Sept. 2008, 581-612, p. 581;



See, for instance, Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 85; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-Q for period ending June 30, 2016, pp. 55-56; . Second Quarter 2016 Earnings Call, August 4, 2016, p. 8; and SunTrust Robinson, "Renegotiation With ICE Ongoing; Maintain Neutral," August, 4 2016, p. 3.

Cannacord Genuity, "Behind the Bars: Bi-Weekly Prison Update 10-5-15," October 5, 2015, at Figure 3.

¹⁰⁶ CoreCivic, Inc. Second Quarter 2016 Earnings Call dated August 4, 2016, pp. 11 and 14.

Exhibit 5. At the time of the corrective disclosures, CCA's business was characterized by relatively stable cash flow expectations and dividend payments. In such an environment, it is typical to view the value of a company through the lens of an earnings multiple, as analysts often did for CCA.

Exhibit 2. I note that the above estimate would understate the share price impact associated with the Cibola Contract Loss to the extent that the loss of this facility also contributed to an increase in CCA's perceived risk (and therefore a lower multiple) for the rest of its operations.

71. Analysts responded to the Yates Memorandum by reducing their price targets by approximately 20 to 40 percent:

Table 3. Analysts' Revisions to Price Targets 110

Analyst	Prior Update	Revision Date	PT Prior	PT New	PT Change	PT Pct. Change
Canaccord	8/4/2016	8/23/2016	\$30	\$21	(\$9)	(30%)
Suntrust	8/4/2016	9/1/2016	\$34	\$20	(\$14)	(41%)
Wells Fargo	8/10/2016	8/19/2016	\$26-\$28	\$17-\$22	(\$6)-(\$9)	(21%)-(35%)

72. Analysts' price target reductions were driven by both lower expected earnings and higher expected risk, as reflected by significantly lower FFO expectations and corresponding multiples:

Table 4. Analyst Revisions to Estimated 2017 FFO 111

Analyst	Prior Update	Revision Date	FFO Prior	FFO New	FFO Change	FFO Multiple Prior	FFO Multiple New	FFO Multiple Change
Canaccord	8/4/2016	8/23/2016	\$2.26	\$1.82	(\$0.44)	13.27x	11.54x	(1.73x)
Suntrust	8/4/2016	9/1/2016	\$2.64	\$1.97	(\$0.67)	12.88x	10.15x	(2.73x)
Wells Fargo	8/10/2016	8/19/2016	\$2.49	\$2.39	(\$0.10)	10.84x	8.16x	(2.68x)

- 73. Analysts acknowledged that CCA's sharp share price decline reflected a reduction in expected future earnings and an increase in the risk associated with those earnings, with commentary that reflected the perspective that CCA's BOP business faced significant increased risk.
 - a. Wells Fargo wrote, "We expect shares of both CXW and GEO to remain weak until more clarity around specific outcomes and timing around contract losses surface." 112
 - b. Canaccord Genuity wrote, "[w]e maintain concerns surrounding BoP contract cancellation headlines, a likely CXW dividend cut, and risk of a CXW covenant breach that could all weigh on both GEO and CXW shares in the near-term. As such, while we believe most of these concerns are priced in, we believe they could limit upside to both stocks."

¹¹³ Cannacord Genuity, "Private prisons aren't going anywhere, but risks could continue to weigh on stocks," August 23, 2016.



¹¹⁰ Analysts' revisions to AFFO were consistent with their changes to FFO.

Analysts' revisions to AFFO were consistent with their changes to FFO; Wells Fargo based on the midpoint of its range.

Wells Fargo, "DOJ Creates Uncertainty Around Private Corrections," August 19, 2016.

- c. SunTrust Robinson wrote, "[w]e believe that BOP business is at-risk over five years, ICE and US Marshals business is substantially more secure and we see higher likelihood of declines in CA inmate populations resulting from Prop 57."¹¹⁴
- d. Compass Point wrote, "[t]his policy shift is clearly a negative for the publicly-traded forprofit prison companies but it is far from a death sentence." 115
- 74. Commentary surrounding the Yates Memorandum also tended to reflect CCA's position that the Yates Memorandum could be limited to BOP contracts and expressed some skepticism that the BOP business would not be renewed.
 - a. Wells Fargo Securities: "In our view, the recent Department of Justice (DOJ) announcement pertains only to Bureau of Prisons (BOP) contracts, more specifically those up for renewal/rebid as part of Criminal Alien Requirement (CAR) XVI, and does not pertain to US Marshals or Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE). We believe angst around a larger government pullback from private prison business will likely persist, particularly in light of news that ICE is reworking its contract with CXW at its South Texas Family Residential Center well ahead of scheduled expiration." 116
 - b. Canaccord Genuity: "At current valuations, we believe the market is implying not only that the BoP contracts are lost immediately (assigning no value to them) but that the risk of contagion to the USMS, ICE and State contracts is a real near-term risk. We disagree on both accounts."¹¹⁷
 - c. SunTrust Robinson: "CXW emphasized the DoJ's directive to the BOP was to reduce and eliminate the use of private facilities over time, not to end existing contracts...U.S. Marshals Service (USMS) and ICE contracts will not be impacted by the DoJ's directive, in our view, as USMS and ICE cannot overcrowd existing non-private facilities and have special constraints that must be met unlike the BOP."118
 - d. Compass Point: "Our sense is that infrastructure limitation, political dynamics, and budgetary constraints will shield state-level contracts. Furthermore, the cash flow being generated by existing contracts appears safe as the memo directs review at the end of term. Finally, the language in this memo signals that termination is not the only option as the BOP appears to have sufficient latitude to renew expiring contracts so long as the scope is 'substantially reduce[d].""119

¹¹⁹ Compass Point, "Flash Note: Quick Thoughts on DOJ's For-Profit Prison Memo," August 18, 2016.



¹¹⁴ SunTrust Robinson, "CXW, GEO - Lowering Estimates & PTs Amid Political Shift," September 1, 2016.

Compass Point, "Quick Thoughts on DOJ's For-Profit Prison Memo", August 18, 2016.

Wells Fargo Securities, "DOJ Creates Uncertainty Around Private Corrections, "August 19, 2016.

¹¹⁷ Cannacord Genuity, "Private prisons aren't going anywhere, but risks could continue to weigh on stocks," August 23, 2016.

¹¹⁸ SunTrust Robinson, "Conference Call Takeaways," August 19, 2016.

- 75. Despite any skepticism that analysts expressed about the market's reaction to the Yates Memorandum, their reassessment of the extent of CCA's business risks and expected performance was ultimately reflected in significantly reduced price targets.¹²⁰
- 76. The extent of the risk to CCA's business revealed by the Yates Memorandum was reflected in CCA's share price decline immediately after the announcement.¹²¹ As set forth in **Exhibit 3**, CCA's share price declined by an additional 25.6 percent from its closing price on August 19 until November 8, 2016, exceeding its August 19 close price only once (on August 20) during that period.
- 77. I have examined the period surrounding the Yates Memorandum and found there is no other information or news other than the Yates Memorandum and related responses that would explain CCA's share price reaction. The evidence indicates that the entirety of the share price decline on August 18, 2016 as well as the increase on August 19, 2018 was driven by the Yates Memorandum and reactions to this announcement. It is my understanding that plaintiff contends that the information disclosed by CCA on August 19, 2016 was misleading. Nevertheless, it is possible that market participants continued to react to the disclosure of the Yates Memorandum on August 19, 2016, such that the cumulative impact of this disclosure may not have been reflected until the end of trading on that day.
- 78. The abnormal return as measured by my event study may be used to estimate the reduction in value per share associated with the Yates Memorandum corrective disclosure. To ensure the abnormal return captures the cumulative reaction attributable to the Yates Memorandum, I have computed a two-day abnormal return based on CCA's share price reaction on August 18-19, 2016. To the extent this share price reaction reflected information disclosed on CCA's conference call that was misleading, this would represent a conservative estimate of the market's reaction to the revelation of concealed risk alleged by plaintiff (*i.e.* it would understate the impact of corrective information contained in the Yates Memorandum). For the Yates Memorandum, the abnormal dollar return over the two-day event window is equal to \$8.06, as set forth in **Exhibit 2**.

VII. Share Price Inflation

79. According to plaintiff's allegations, CCA should have disclosed the risk to its BOP business caused by its inadequate performance and the deteriorations of its relationship with the BOP. Had such a disclosure been made, CCA's share price would have declined to reflect the extent of this risk.

See, e.g., Cannacord Genuity, "Raising GEO and CXW price targets on lower risk post-election," November 11, 2016; SunTrust Robinson, "Increasing PT to \$26 On Outlook For Rising Estimates," November 14, 2016; Cannacord Genuity, "Upgrading CXW to BUY following dividend cut, lowered risk, and external growth opportunity," December 12, 2016.



¹²⁰ Table 3.

A. Inflation at the time of the corrective disclosures

- 80. To measure the extent to which CCA's share price was inflated at the time of the corrective disclosures, I begin with my estimates of the share price impacts of the corrective disclosures related to the allegations:
 - a. The impact of the Cibola Contract Loss of \$0.46 is limited to the direct effect of the Cibola contract, which reflects my understanding that the full information was released over multiple days and announced along with confounding information about the STFRC renegotiation and other news unrelated to the allegations.
 - b. The abnormal return of \$8.06 on August 18-19, 2016 relates entirely to the information contained in the Yates Memorandum and its consequent effects, all of which relates to the allegations.
- 81. Before the corrective disclosures, market participants' expectations reflected a relatively low probability of CCA losing its BOP business. After the corrective disclosures, market participants' expectations changed to reflect a significantly higher likelihood that CCA would lose the BOP contracts, in addition to the perception that the rest of CCA's business faced higher risks.
- 82. It is possible that the share price would have declined in response to the Cibola Contract Loss and Yates Memorandum, even in the counterfactual in which CCA had disclosed the extent of the allegedly concealed risks. 122 In this counterfactual, market participants still would have reassessed the value of CCA's BOP contracts (which would have been lower since CCA would have disclosed the extent of the risks), such that the Cibola Contract Loss and Yates Memorandum still would have changed the (relatively high) likelihood of losing these contracts to an even higher likelihood (or near certainty). In other words, in the counterfactual, the realization of the disclosed risks could have had a (smaller) negative effect on the price of CCA's shares than the impact of these announcements attributable to the corrective disclosures.
- 83. Conceptually, the portion of the abnormal returns explained by the increased likelihood of CCA losing its BOP contracts may be estimated as the difference between the counterfactual values of those contracts before and after the corrective disclosures. As an upper bound, one may assess the counterfactual value of these contracts before the corrective disclosures, assuming that the BOP contracts contributed no value to CCA's share price after the corrective disclosures.
- 84. One indicator of CCA's counterfactual value is its share price after it reflected the information disclosed through the Yates Memorandum along with what CCA purported to be the BOP's contribution to its earnings. On August 19, 2016, CCA's stock closed at \$19.08. Assuming this post-announcement price placed little to no value on the BOP contracts, one may infer what the value of the share price would have

This is consistent with the Supreme Court's decision in *Dura*, which requires losses to shareholders to have been caused by the alleged contraventions. *See Dura Pharmaceuticals, Inc. v. Broudo*, 544 U.S. 336, 125 S.Ct. 1627 (2005).



been based on CCA's statement that the BOP contracts represented approximately seven percent of its annual revenue and earnings. All else equal, this suggests that CCA's shares would have been worth 20.52 (10.08 / (1 - 0.07)) in a scenario under which it was expected to retain the BOP contracts. This indicates that the BOP contracts' counterfactual value would have been approximately 1.44 (20.52 - 10.08) based on the market's assessment of CCA's risk after the Yates Memorandum.

- 85. One may expand this approach to estimate the counterfactual value of the Cibola contract by applying that contract's proportional contribution of earnings. As I explain in **Appendix D**, the Adams, McRae, and Eden contracts accounted for approximately \$0.40 of CCA's FFO. Comparing Cibola's FFO contribution of \$0.04 to the FFO contribution of \$0.40 for the other three facilities suggests that Cibola would account for approximately \$0.14 (10% times \$1.44) based on CCA's share price after the Yates Memorandum.
- 86. Estimating the value of the BOP contracts under this approach, however, would tend to overstate the value of these contracts in the counterfactual, in which CCA would have distinguished its BOP relationship as subject to greater risk than the rest of its business. In order to account for this, I have examined how earnings from CCA's BOP contracts would have interacted with the information that I understand plaintiff contends would have been known in the counterfactual. As set forth in **Appendix D**, I have estimated the counterfactual value of CCA's BOP contracts based on:
 - the BOP contracts' residual FFO contribution through the contract terms assuming plaintiff's contention that CCA could not have reasonably expected to retain its BOP contracts after they terminated;
 - b. the counterfactual multiple of FFO that would have been associated with the BOP contracts assuming plaintiff's contention that CCA should have disclosed that it was unlikely to renew its BOP contracts or win any competitive bids.
- 87. As set forth in **Appendix D**, my analysis of the BOP contracts' counterfactual values suggests that these values would have ranged from \$1.08 to \$1.12 for Adams, McRae, and Eden, and from \$0.11 to \$0.13 for Cibola. These estimates, however, are conservative to the extent they reflect certain observed valuation parameters (*e.g.*, perceived risk) rather than valuation parameters that would have existed in the counterfactual since, in the counterfactual, CCA would have distinguished these BOP contracts as subject to greater risk than the rest of its business. In addition, as previously discussed, these estimates represent upper bound estimates of the counterfactual share price declines that would have corresponded to the corrective disclosures since they are based on the estimate of the BOP contracts' total (rather than the change in) counterfactual value.

According to CCA, the BOP contracts "represent approximately \$131.2 million in annual revenues, or approximately seven percent of CCA's total annual revenue, at operating margins consistent with CCA's owned and managed facility portfolio average." CCA Form 8-K dated August 19, 2016. This suggests that the BOP contracts' contributions to CCA's profits were proportional to their revenue contribution.



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- 88. For the purpose of this analysis, a conservative estimate of the value of the BOP contracts at the time of the Yates Memorandum suggests that the portion of the share price reaction explained by the loss of these contracts (had the extent of their allegedly concealed risks been known) would not have exceeded:
 - a. \$0.14 associated with the expected loss of the Cibola contract, which would have been realized as a result of the Cibola Contract Loss;
 - b. \$1.44 associated with the expected loss of the Adams, McRae, and Eden contracts, which would have been realized as a result of the Yates Memorandum.
- Subtracting the above values from the total impacts related to the Cibola Contract Loss and 89. the Yates Memorandum represents a conservative measure of inflation arising from the allegations at the time of the corrective disclosures, as set forth in the following table.

Table 5. Inflation at the time of the corrective disclosures

	Cibola Contract Loss	Yates Memorandum	Total
Impact of the Corrective Disclosures	\$0.46	\$8.06	\$8.52
Less: Counterfactual Value of BOP Contracts	(0.14)	(1.44)	(1.58)
Total	\$0.32	\$6.62	\$6.94

В. Inflation during the Class Period

- If the trier-of-fact finds that Defendants' alleged fraud fell within the zone of risk revealed through the corrective disclosures, the inflation estimates set forth in Table 5 would have been present in CCA's shares beginning at the time that the trier-of-fact determines that the information revealed by the corrective disclosures was within the zone of risk. As previously discussed, the inflation arising from the Cibola Contract Loss would have been present through August 1, 2016 while the inflation arising from the non-disclosures revealed through the Yates Memorandum would have persisted through August 17, 2016.
- My share price inflation estimates are based on a finding that the information revealed by the corrective disclosures was within the zone of risk concealed by Defendants' alleged fraud, such that the extent of share price inflation remains constant from the time that the trier-of-fact makes such a finding until inflation is eliminated through the Cibola Contract Loss and the Yates Memorandum. The impact of any concealed risks on CCA's share price, however, would have been different before the company announced its conversion to a REIT on February 7, 2013.
- From an economic perspective, the primary difference between a corporation and a REIT is the obligation of the company to pay corporate income tax. A corporation's earnings are generally subject



to corporate income tax whereas those of a REIT are generally exempt; according to CCA's 2013 10-K, "CCA will be entitled to a deduction for dividends paid, resulting in a substantial reduction in the amount of federal income tax expense it recognizes." Thus, any reduction in value measured for CCA as a corporation (before converting to a REIT) would have been attenuated by offsetting corporate tax obligations on expected future earnings and, therefore, value.

- 93. In the three years prior to the conversion (2010, 2011, and 2012), CCA's effective tax rate was approximately 36.8 percent;¹²⁵ following its conversion to a REIT, its average income tax rate fell to approximately 3.6% for the full years of 2014, 2015, and 2016.¹²⁶ During the portion of the Class Period before CCA converted to a REIT, the prevailing marginal corporate tax rate was 35 percent.¹²⁷ Thus, any reduction in value arising from the concealed risks would have been partially offset by the marginal corporate tax rate.¹²⁸ Accordingly, I reduce my estimates of share price inflation by 35 percent before February 8, 2013.
- 94. The following table summarizes share price inflation during the Class Period, including this adjustment.

February 27, 2012 **February 8, 2013** August 2, 2016 to August 17, 2016 to February 7, 2013 to August 1, 2016 \$ -**Cibola Contract Loss** \$0.21 \$0.32 Yates Memorandum \$4.30 \$6.62 \$6.62 **Total inflation** \$4.51 \$6.94 \$6.62

Table 6. Inflation: February 27, 2012 to August 17, 2016

95. The above inflation estimates are based on an approach known as the constant dollar method, in which the dollar value of inflation is held constant during the Class Period, adjusted to reflect the difference in the impact of the allegedly concealed risk before/after the Cibola Contract Loss and CCA's

Prior to CCA's REIT conversion, CCA paid "qualified dividends" that "generally are subject to tax at preferable rates. Subject to limited exceptions, dividends payable by REITs are not eligible for those reduced rates and are taxable at ordinary income tax rates... [Post-conversion dividends] are generally taxable to our stockholders as ordinary income. However, our dividends are eligible for the lower rate applicable to 'qualified dividends' to the extent they are attributable to income that was previously subject to corporate income tax." Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 43. Adjusting share price inflation by the marginal corporate tax rate is therefore conservative (would tend to understate inflation) to the extent that the net impact of tax savings to shareholders associated with the REIT conversion was lower.



¹²⁴ Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. F-28.

Based on income total tax expense of \$279.4 million and pretax income of \$758.6 million from 2010 through 2012. Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2012, p. F-4.

Based on income total tax expense of \$23.6 million and pretax income of \$652.1 million from 2014 through 2016. CoreCivic, Inc. 10-K for period ending December 31, 2016, p. F-4.

¹²⁷ IRS Publication 542 (Rev. March 2012), p.17 based on the marginal tax rate for taxable income over \$18.3 million (CCA's pretax income exceed this level in each year of the Class Period).

conversion to a REIT. The constant dollar method is a widely accepted approach to estimating share price inflation and is consistent with the legal framework for measuring damages.¹²⁹

- 96. In the generally declining share price environment at issue in this case, in which CCA's stock generally traded higher during the Class Period than at the time of the corrective disclosures, a constant dollar approach results in inflation as a proportion of share price being generally lower during the Class Period than at the time of the corrective disclosures. ¹³⁰ I also note that CCA's implied multiple relative to expected FFO during the Class Period was rarely below its value at the time of the corrective disclosures, which suggests that the above estimates are conservative, since the impact of the concealed risk would only have increased in a higher multiple environment. ¹³¹ Similarly, the above estimates do not consider the declining value of the BOP business; in earlier periods, the contribution of the BOP business to CCA's share price was higher, which suggests that the value of the concealed risk also would have been higher. ¹³²
- 97. In my opinion, the above inflation estimates represent reasonable and conservative estimates of the impact of the allegedly concealed risks during the Class Period.

VIII. Per Share Damages

- 98. To the extent the trier-of-fact determines that the information revealed by the corrective disclosures was within the zone of risk concealed by Defendants' alleged fraud, then the share price inflation figures corresponding to the purchase dates set forth in **Table 6** would apply to any member of the Class who bought CCA stock during the Class Period and sold or held shares on or after August 2, 2016. I note that the above estimates are additive and separable, such that the impacts of each corrective disclosure may be considered jointly or individually at any time during the Class Period.
- 99. I understand that an individual plaintiff's recoverable damages are based on the difference between: (a) share price inflation associated with shares purchased at the time they were purchased; and (b) share price inflation associated with shares sold at the time they were sold after one or more corrective disclosures. Under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 ("PSLRA") a "plaintiff's damages shall not exceed the difference between the purchase or sale price paid or received, as appropriate, by the plaintiff for the subject security and the mean trading price of that security during the 90-day period beginning on the date on which the information correcting the misstatement or omission that is the basis

For instance, until December 30, 2014, CCA's share price would have reflected expected earnings associated with the Northeast Ohio Correctional Center. See, Wells Fargo, "CXW: Loses Federal Bureau Of Prisons Contract At Its Northeast Ohio Correctional Center," December 30, 2014.



The constant dollar approach also is consistent with *Dura*, which requires that inflation not exceed losses caused by the revelation of the alleged wrongdoing.

¹³⁰ See Exhibit 4.

¹³¹ See Exhibit 5. Said differently, the value of the concealed risk would have been higher to the extent the market placed a higher value on CCA's earnings.

for the action is disseminated to the market." Additionally, "if the plaintiff sells or repurchases the subject security prior to the expiration of the 90-day period," then "damages shall not exceed the difference between the purchase or sale price paid or received, as appropriate, by the plaintiff for the security and the mean trading price of the security during the period beginning immediately after dissemination of information correcting the misstatement or omission and ending on the date on which the plaintiff sells or repurchases the security."134

100. As set forth in Exhibit 3, I have computed CCA's mean trading price between August 19, 2016 and each of the following days during the 90-day period through November 16, 2016 based on CCA's closing price on each day. Based on the inflation figures in Table 6 and the mean share prices set forth in Exhibit 3, one may compute damages for any class member based on their relevant transactions within the Class Period.

IX. Further Work

101. My analysis is ongoing, and I reserve the right to supplement my opinions as additional information is made available to me.

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¹³⁴ 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4 (2011).



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- Quantification of multibillion-dollar claims related to the securitization of residential mortgage-backed assets;
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- Provided expert and rebuttal opinions on share price inflation and aggregate damages on behalf of a former Australian electronics retail chain.
- Provided expert testimony on damages and losses on behalf of a broker/dealer arising from a series of private placement investments and offerings.
- Quantified the impact of trustees' alleged failures to repurchase loans on behalf of a residential mortgage backed securitization (RMBS) investor.
- Developed a class-wide damage model arising from suitability claims against an investment bank.
- Provided expert testimony in support of class certification on behalf of residential mortgage backed securitization (RMBS) holders.
- Analyzed market efficiency in support of fairness and solvency opinions related to shares of publicly traded companies in the energy sector.
- Prepared event studies and damages analyses based on various share matching (LIFO, FIFO, offsets) and account consolidation conventions on behalf of security holders evaluating class action opt outs.
- Analyzed trading activity and valuations of restricted and unrestricted shares associated with an alleged pump-anddump scheme following a reverse merger.
- Provided expert opinions and rebuttal of opposing expert analysis regarding share price inflation damages on behalf of an Australian industrial conglomerate involved in a shareholder class action lawsuit.
- Served as a testifying expert in an arbitration matter involving the liquidation of margin positions.
- Provided economic and statistical analysis of loan collateral characteristics, performance, and alleged misrepresentations associated with residential and commercial mortgage-backed securities on behalf of multinational financial institutions and investors.
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- Provided expert testimony on the valuation of a healthcare services company.
- Served as a consulting expert for government agencies in negotiations of multibillion-dollar settlements involving the origination, sale, and securitization of residential mortgages.
- Negotiated the value of residual interests in Canadian mortgage-backed securities on behalf of the bankrupt sponsor based on econometric models and Monte Carlo simulations used to predict future cash flows from individual mortgages.

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- Provided expert opinions the solvency of a debtor subsidiary in the telecom industry facing fraudulent transfer allegations.
- Analyzed the economic merits of civil penalties assessed by the U.S. SEC related to the sale of restricted stock.
- Assessed the appropriateness of certain private equity investments related to the investment policy statement of a family limited partnership.
- Evaluated the economic merits of breach of fiduciary duty claims related to options trading strategies in a jointly-held investment account.
- Quantified share price inflation damages on behalf of an Australian contracting and development company involved in a shareholder class action lawsuit.
- Evaluated share price inflation allegations against an Australian real estate investment trust and quantified damages based on multiple share purchase matching approaches and detailed trading data in a shareholder class action lawsuit.
- Analyzed plaintiff and defendant shareholder damages models related to claims against an Australian commodities company in a shareholder class action lawsuit.
- Investigated quantitative methods used to value the structured credit portfolios of a global investment and insurance company.
- Advised a major U.S. bank on the write-down of its structured finance portfolio.
- Quantified share price inflation and corresponding damages based on allegations against an Australian gaming corporation in a shareholder class action lawsuit.
- Analyzed the effects of management representations on a U.S. technology firm's share price in a shareholder class action lawsuit.
- Examined the impact of accounting scandal revelations on the share price of a U.S. media firm in a shareholder class
 action lawsuit
- Constructed a Monte Carlo simulation to estimate the value of performance-based incentives in the UK media industry.

ANTITRUST AND REGULATION

- Provided expert testimony on relevant market definitions, market power, and vertical restraints of competition on behalf of a manufacturer in a case involving allegations of market foreclosure.
- Quantified damages on behalf of a plaintiff class alleging overcharges on purchases of accessory items.
- Provided expert opinions in support of class certification in a case involving alleged overcharges of building materials.
- Quantified the impact of price artificiality associated with alleged market manipulations in crude oil futures and options markets.
- Assessed the impact of monopolization claims on prices in the European automobile parts market.

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- Evaluated monopolization claims in the market for remanufactured printer cartridges.
- Analyzed the price impact of alleged false advertising claims in the market for fruit juices.
- Assisted a European competition authority in a review of its financial services sector based on event studies used to estimate the effect of firm entry on lending rates.
- Examined the impact of competition policies on the personal banking sector in a national European market based on quantitative analysis of current account activity associated with major banks.
- Analyzed the impact of a UK pharmaceutical firm's alleged predatory pricing behavior on sales of its primary competitor.
- Quantified the impact of regulatory and commercial changes on a portfolio of media and gambling rights in the UK.
- Developed an industrial analysis framework used to evaluate competitive drivers across several manufacturing sectors for purposes of valuing a European manufacturing firm.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Provided testimony rebutting an opposing expert's lost profits calculations arising from claims of intellectual property infringement, trade secret misappropriations, tortious interference and other allegations.
- Led the analysis of reasonable royalty damages on behalf of more than 150 defendants alleged to infringe a single patent covering widely-used website features related to geographic location services.
- Provided expert testimony regarding the economics of contractual royalty calculations on behalf of a U.S. communications company.
- Served as a testifying expert on behalf of a consulting firm seeking damages arising from alleged misappropriations of trade secrets.
- Assessed the merits of trade secret misappropriation claims against a global energy services company.
- Evaluated reasonable royalty claims associated with alleged U.S. patent infringements related to numerous technologies, including:
 - Telephony and cellular network;
 - Network architecture;
 - Hardware and software technology;
 - Digital media;
 - Remote access technologies;
 - Power converter architectures;
 - E-commerce;
 - o Garments and apparel;
 - Automotive parts;
 - Food processing;

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- Methods for check payment processing;
- o Geographic location services; and
- o Oil and gas exploration.
- Advised patent holders on strategic opportunities and licensing strategy for purposes of monetizing patent portfolios in the network technology and electronic storage industries.
- Computed lost profits, unjust enrichment, and reasonable royalty damages arising from theft of trade secrets claims brought by a specialized provider of electronic components against former employees.
- Assessed damages associated with contingency fee agreements between a law firm and former client arising from the settlement of a patent litigation lawsuit.
- Analyzed lost profits damages arising from patent infringement claims covering a wide range of network, software, and industrial applications.
- Composed a series of intellectual property valuations submitted to European tax authorities on behalf of a global steel manufacturer.
- Assessed the economic merits of an injunction claims against a major provider of rail track inspection services.
- Evaluated price erosion claims on behalf of defendants accused of patent infringement in industrial applications.
- Assessed damages arising from trade secret claims involving tens of millions of transactions in the freight industry.
- Evaluated damages arising from trademark infringement claims against companies in the financial services, technology, and automotive industries.

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION AND INVESTIGATIONS

- Designed sampling procedures and advised on statistical inferences drawn from samples used in numerous fraud investigations, accounting reviews, and class certification analyses.
- Provided expert opinions based on statistical and econometric models used to evaluate employee allegations of discrimination under U.S. Title VII.
- Led the sampling, investigation, and extrapolation of results from transaction data retrieved from various accounting systems for purposes of identifying unreported IT costs in a breach of contract dispute involving a major U.S. hospital network.
- Provided expert opinions on lost wages associated with an alleged wrongful termination of a public services officer.
- Assessed damages associated with contingency fee agreements between a law firm and former client arising from the settlement of a patent litigation lawsuit.
- Constructed a series of econometric and financial models used to evaluate breach of contract claims in the freight and shipping industry based on the analysis of tens of millions of individual shipping records.
- Quantified the effects of a U.S. publicity scandal on Japanese sales of celebrity-sponsored products based on a quantitative analysis of sales data, controlling for numerous macroeconomic factors.
- Analyzed the forgone acquisition value of a UK retailer due to an alleged breach of fiduciary duty.

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TURNAROUND AND RESTRUCTURING

- Assisted a regional hospital in preparing for Chapter 11 proceedings.
- Implemented a weekly cash projection process and advised on working capital strategies that enabled a U.S. manufacturer to operate within its asset-based facility.
- Managed the implementation of financial models and weekly cash management processes on behalf of a U.S. metals distributor.
- Developed a series of integrated financial models that enabled a public U.S. technology firm to evaluate restructuring opportunities and secure long-term and short-term funding.
- Implemented a short-term cash management tool and monthly strategic model for a private equity portfolio company
- Developed cash forecast and liquidation models on behalf of creditors of a U.S. metal fabricator.
- Assisted a U.S. hospital operator in developing financial plans used to secure additional funding.
- Estimated the impact of an audit firm's alleged misrepresentations on the unsecured claims against a U.S. company's bankrupt estate.
- Quantified the value of life insurance and executive benefit claims against a U.S. bankruptcy estate based on various actuarial assumptions.
- Advised on the reliability of a U.S. distributor's financial model and business plan based on a series of financial and statistical tests.
- Negotiated the settlement of numerous claims on behalf of a U.S. bankruptcy estate.
- Managed bankruptcy proceedings on behalf of a regional U.S. electronics chain.

BUSINESS ADVISORY AND CORPORATE FINANCE

- Designed econometric models to measure revenue impacts of product placements for a global consumer product company.
- Advised a U.S. freight company on the design and implementation of financial and economic forecasting tools.
- Designed sampling procedures to optimize new sporting goods product tests given limited access to college-level athletes.
- Identified demand drivers for an equipment manufacturer based on econometric analyses of distribution channels and inventory levels.
- Developed a comprehensive IT framework that enabled a U.S. manufacturer to project short-term borrowing requirements in a consolidated database/ERP system.
- Designed weekly cash management and monthly financial reporting tools for multiple private equity portfolio companies in the marketing and broadcast industries.

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Appendix A

PARTNER

- Managed numerous projects for a public U.S. technology firm, including: product pricing and bundling analysis, development of operational metrics, and the redesign of the commission structure.
- Designed and implemented automation tools used in numerous business planning and reporting applications for clients in the retail, shipping, and manufacturing sectors.
- Advised a commercial real estate client on the sale of a major U.S. shopping mall.

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Court Documents:

- (1) Consolidated Complaint For Violation Of The Federal Securities Laws, dated 3/13/17
- (2) Defendants' Memorandum Of Points And Authorities In Support Of Their Motion To Dismiss Plaintiff's Amended Consolidated Class Action Complaint For Violations Of The Federal Securities Laws, dated 5/12/17
- (3) Declaration Of Milton S. McGee, III In Support Of Defendants' Motion To Dismiss, with Exhibits, dated 5/12/17
- (4) Plaintiff's Opposition To Defendants' Motion To Dismiss Plaintiff's Amended Consolidated Class Action Complaint For Violations Of The Federal Securities Laws, dated 6/26/17
- (5) Defendants' Reply Memorandum In Further Support Of Their Motion To Dismiss Plaintiff's Amended Consolidated Class Action Complaint For Violations Of The Federal Securities Laws, dated 7/26/17
- (6) Memorandum, dated 12/18/17
- (7) Answer To Consolidated Complaint For Violation Of The Federal Securities Laws, dated 2/2/18
- (8) Revised Stipulation and Protective Order, dated 2/12/18
- (9) Lead Plaintiff's Motion for Class Certification, Appointment of Class Representative and Appointment of Class Counsel, dated 6/1/18
- (10) Memorandum Of Law In Support Of Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Class Certification, Appointment Of Class Representative And Appointment Of Class Counsel, dated 6/1/18
- (11) Declaration Of Christopher M. Wood In Support Of Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Class Certification, Appointment Of Class Representative And Appointment Of Class Counsel, dated 6/1/18
- (12) Defendants' Memorandum In Opposition To Plaintiff's Motion For Class Certification, Appointment Of Class Representative, and Appointment Of Class Counsel, dated 7/16/18
- (13) Declaration Of Milton S. McGee, III In Support Of Defendants' Opposition To Plaintiff's Motion For Class Certification, Appointment Of Class Representative, And Appointment Of Class Counsel, dated 7/16/18
- (14) Reply In Further Support Of Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Class Certification, Appointment Of Class Representative And Appointment Of Class Counsel, dated 10/26/18
- (15) Declaration Of Christopher M. Wood In Support Of Reply In Further Support Of Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Class Certification, Appointment Of Class Representative And Appointment Of Class Counsel, with Exhibits, dated 10/26/18
- (17) Petition For Permission To Appeal Pursuant To Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 23(f), dated 2/1/19
- (18) Memorandum Of Law In Support Of Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Reconsideration Of The January 18, 2019 Order Denying Class Certification, dated 2/1/19
- (19) Declaration Of Willow E. Radcliffe In Support Of Memorandum Of Law In Support Of Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Reconsideration Of The January 18, 2019 Order Denying Class Certification, with Exhibits, dated 2/1/19
- (20) Defendants' Opposition To Lead Plaintiff's Motion For Reconsideration Of The January 18, 2019 Order Denying Class Certification, dated
- (21) Petitioner's Voluntary Dismissal With Prejudice Pursuant To Fed. R. App. P. 42(B), dated 3/28/19
- (22) Memorandum, dated 3/26/19
- (23) Order, dated 3/29/19
- (24) Petition For Permission To Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant To Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 23(F), dated 4/9/19
- (25) Plaintiff-Respondent's Opposition To Petition For Permission To Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant To Federal Rule Of Civil Procedure 23(F), dated 4/19/19
- (26) Order, dated 8/23/19
- (27) Order Setting Case for Trial, dated 9/3/19
- (28) Revised Case Management Order, dated 3/20/20

Expert Reports:

- (1) Report on Market Efficiency, Professor Steven P. Feinstein, Ph.D., CFA dated 6/1/18
- (2) Expert Report of Lucy Allen, dated 7/16/18
- (3) Rebuttal Report of Professor Steven P. Feinstein, Ph.D., CFA dated 10/26/18
- (4) Supplemental Report of Lucy Allen, dated 11/21/18

Deposition Transcripts:

- (1) Deposition of Steven Feinstein, dated 7/12/18
- (2) Deposition of Lucy Allen, dated 10/10/18

Analyst Reports:

- (1) 2011-02-09 Barclays 4Q'10 First Look-Strong Beat & Good FY'11 Guidance; 11am Conf Call.pdf
- (2) 2011-02-10 Barclays 4Q'10 Post Call-Q Helped by USMS Delays; Pipeline Growing; Awaiting Budgets; 2-EW.pdf
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CORECIVIC_1208075	CORECIVIC_1208077

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CORECIVIC_1248631	CORECIVIC_1248634
CORECIVIC_1308255	CORECIVIC_1308262
CORECIVIC_1313181	CORECIVIC_1313183
CORECIVIC_1313543	CORECIVIC_1313546
CORECIVIC_1313643	CORECIVIC_1313648
CORECIVIC 1313715	CORECIVIC 1313715
CORECIVIC 1313719	CORECIVIC 1313723
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CORECIVIC_1317798	CORECIVIC_1317801
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CORECIVIC_1318236	CORECIVIC_1318242
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CORECIVIC_1318253	CORECIVIC_1318256
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CORECIVIC_1318311	CORECIVIC_1318318
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CORECIVIC_1318376	CORECIVIC_1318380
CORECIVIC_1318386	CORECIVIC_1318389
CORECIVIC 1318399	CORECIVIC 1318404
CORECIVIC 1318406	CORECIVIC 1318410
CORECIVIC 1318418	CORECIVIC 1318421
CORECIVIC_1318431	CORECIVIC_1318434
CORECIVIC_1318446	CORECIVIC_1318449
CORECIVIC_1318462	CORECIVIC_1318465
CORECIVIC 1324021	CORECIVIC 1324021
CORECIVIC 1336887	CORECIVIC 1336892
CORECIVIC_2176406	CORECIVIC 2176406
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CORECIVIC_2206589	CORECIVIC_2206591
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^{*}Bates range may include certain documents labeled as deposition exhibits.

I. Assessment of Market Efficiency for CCA Stock

- 1. It is my understanding that, in order to invoke the "fraud on the market" presumption of reliance, the courts have required (among other things) that the plaintiff establish that the security was traded on an efficient market during the relevant period.¹
- 2. It is widely accepted that prices of shares traded on major exchanges such as the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") respond to new value-relevant information; that is, such markets are informationally efficient with respect to publicly available information. As prominent academics have noted, "economists generally agree that material information—whether truthful or fraudulent—will generally affect the price of a stock and that the effect will be in a predictable direction."²
- 3. According to the efficient market hypothesis ("<u>EMH</u>"), in an efficient market, the price of an investment fully reflects all available information in the market. The economic literature identifies three forms of the EMH:
 - The weak form suggests that all information contained in past prices is incorporated in the current price of an actively traded asset;
 - b. The semi-strong form of the efficient market hypothesis states that all publicly available information is quickly and fully reflected in the price of a traded asset.
 - c. The strong form of market efficiency suggests that all public and private information is incorporated in the current price of a traded asset.³
- 4. A finding that shares trade in a semi-strong-form efficient market indicates that the prices of those shares quickly incorporate new, value-relevant public information about the issuer.⁴ Consistent with this principle, I understand that courts have considered evidence that a security traded in a market characterized by the semi-strong form of the EMH as evidence that it is appropriate to invoke the "fraud on the market" presumption with respect to that security in the context of securities litigation.⁵

Basic, 485 U.S. at 245-46; Campbell, John; Lo, Andrew W.; and MacKinlay, A. Craig, *The Econometrics of Financial Markets*, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1997, at p. 22.



Basic Inc. v. Levinson, 485 U.S. 224, 245-46 (1988) ("<u>Basic</u>"); Halliburton Co. v. Erica P. John Fund, Inc., 573 U.S. 258, 277-78 (2014) ("<u>Halliburton II</u>").

Brief of Financial Economists as Amici Curiae in Support of Respondents, Halliburton II, 2014 WL 526436, at *13-14 (U.S. Feb 5, 2014).

Fama, Eugene F., "Efficient Capital Markets: A Review of Theory and Empirical Work," The Journal of Finance (May, 1970) 25(2) Papers and Proceedings of the Twenty-Eighth Annual Meeting of the American Finance Association New York, N.Y. December, 28-30, 1969, pp. 383-417. Campbell, John; Lo, Andrew W.; and MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1997, at p. 22.

For the purposes of this discussion, general references to market efficiency refer to the semi-strong form unless otherwise noted.

- Practitioners and courts have found that shares of large companies traded on major exchanges generally trade in semi-strong form efficient markets.⁶ Throughout the Class Period, CCA traded on the NYSE, which in 2018 traded more U.S. equity volume than any other exchange. CCA stock was included in the S&P MidCap 400 Index for the entire Class Period, and was added to the MCSI US REIT Index (which represented approximately 85% of the US REIT universe) as of the market close on February 28, 2013.8 Inclusion in such indices is based on a firm's shares meeting certain criteria with regard to market capitalization, public float, liquidity, and "reasonable" prices, similar to those typically used to evaluate whether a stock trades in semi-strong form efficient markets.9
- I understand that courts regularly consider the five factors set forth in Cammer v. Bloom (the "Cammer Factors") in assessing market efficiency. 10 These five factors are:
 - a. average weekly trading volume relative to outstanding shares;
 - b. number of analysts following the stock;
 - market maker and arbitrage activity;
 - d. ability to issue new securities through an S-3 registration statement; and
 - e. empirical facts showing a cause-and-effect relation between unexpected corporate events or financial releases and stock price movement.
- 7. In addition to the factors outlined in Cammer, I understand that courts have considered additional factors relevant in demonstrating the efficiency of a market, including:
 - a. market capitalization and float;11
 - b. bid-ask spread;12

Krogman v. Sterritt, 202 F.R.D. 467, 477-78 (N.D. Tex. 2001); Unger v. Amedisys Inc., 401 F.3d 316, 323 (5th Cir. 2005).



See, e.g., Todd v. STAAR Surgical Co., 2017 WL 821662, at *6 (C.D. Cal. Jan. 5, 2017) (quoting Freeman v. Laventhol & Horwath, 915 F.2d 193, 199 (6th Cir. 1990)) ("[I]t appears that securities traded in national secondary markets such as the New York Stock Exchange ... are well suited for application of the fraud-on-the-market theory. The high level of trading activity ensures that information from many sources is disseminated into the marketplace and consequently is reflected in the market price. This is the premise upon which the fraud on the market theory rests."); id. (quoting In re DVI Inc. Sec. Litig., 249 F.R.D. 196, 208 (E.D. Pa. 2008)) ("While Defendants are correct that trading on a national exchange is not a per se indicator of market efficiency, . the fact that DVI common stock was traded on the NYSE strongly favors a finding of market efficiency."); see also Brief of Testifying Economists as Amici Curiae in Support of Respondent, Halliburton II, 2014 WL 507164, at *7-8 (U.S. Feb. 5, 2014).

Press Release, Intercontinental Exchange, "NYSE's Record-Breaking January Across IPOs and ETFs Opens 2018" (Feb. 1,

^{2018),} available at https://ir.theice.com/press/press-releases/all-categories/2018/02-01-2018-204845310.

S&P 400 (^MID) > Key Developments for the period from 1/1/2008 to 11/2012; "CoreCivic Investor FAQs" at http://ir.corecivic.com/investor-faqs; S&P Capital IQ; CCA Press release, "CCA to Be Added to the MSCI US REIT Index (RMZ) as of the Close of February 28, 2013," February 14, 2013.

Factsheets about S&P Dow Jones Indices available at https://us.spindices.com/idsenhancedfactsheet/file.pdf?calcFrequency=M&force_download=true&hostIdentifier=48190c8c-42c4-46af-8d1a-0cd5db894797&indexId=410;

https://us.spindices.com/idsenhancedfactsheet/file.pdf?calcFrequency=M&force_download=true&hostIdentifier=48190c8c-42c4-46af-8d1a-0cd5db894797&indexId=340 (last visited July 27, 2020).

Cammer v. Bloom, 711 F. Supp. 1264 (D.N.J. 1989).

Krogman v. Sterritt, 202 F.R.D. 467, 477-78 (N.D. Tex. 2001); Unger v. Amedisys Inc., 401 F.3d 316, 323 (5th Cir. 2005).

- c. presence of autocorrelation in stock price returns; 13 and
- d. constraints on short selling.14
- Each of these factors is considered below. 8.

Cammer Factors A.

1) Cammer Factor 1: Average Weekly Trading Volume

- 9. In Cammer, the court observed that an actively traded security is indicative of market efficiency "because it implies significant investor interest in the company," which "in turn, implies a likelihood that many investors are executing trades on the basis of newly available or disseminated corporate information."15 The court identified weekly turnover (average weekly trading volume relative to the shares outstanding) as a relevant indicator of active trading, concluding that "[t]urnover measured by average weekly trading of two percent or more of the outstanding shares would justify a strong presumption that the market for the security is an efficient one; one percent would justify a substantial presumption."16
 - **Chart C-1** shows weekly turnover in CCA stock throughout the Class Period:

Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286 (citing Bromberg, Alan R. & Lowenfels, Lewis D., 4 Securities Fraud and Commodities Fraud, § 8.6 (Aug. 1988) ("Bromberg").

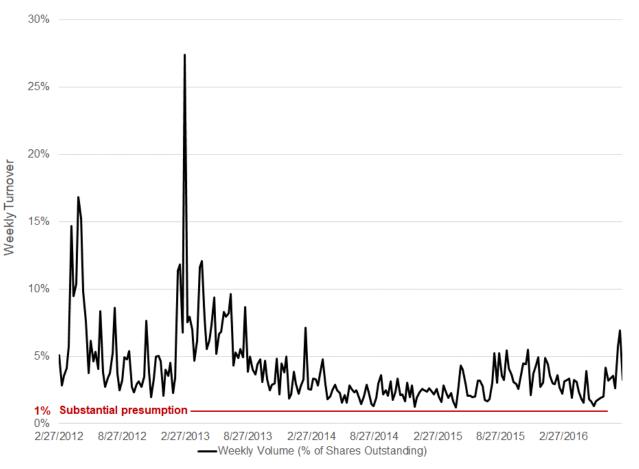


In re DVI Inc. Sec. Litig., 249 F.R.D. 196 (E.D. Pa. 2008).

Carpenters Pension Tr. Fund of St. Louis v. Barclays PLC, 310 F.R.D. 69, 81 n.77 (S.D.N.Y. 2015).

Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286.





11. Weekly turnover (expressed in terms of shares outstanding) averaged 4.1 percent per week (on average, 4,629,489 shares traded out of 114,811,443 shares outstanding) throughout the Class Period and exceeded the 2 percent threshold for a strong presumption of efficiency in 86 percent of weeks of the Class Period. At no point during the Class Period did turnover fall below the 1 percent threshold required for a substantial presumption of efficiency.¹⁸ This supports an inference of an efficient market for CCA common stock.

2) Cammer Factor 2: Analyst Coverage

12. *Cammer* held that a "significant" number of securities analysts following a stock "would imply, for example, [relevant financial reports] were closely reviewed by investment professionals, who would in turn make buy/sell recommendations to client investors."¹⁹

¹⁹ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286.



¹⁷ Weekly trading volume and total shares outstanding for CXW as reported by Bloomberg, L.P. ("Bloomberg").

Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286 (citing Bromberg).

- 13. Securities analysts from major financial institutions who follow CCA made buy and sell recommendations about CCA to their investors on a regular basis. I am aware of analysts from at least 8 major financial institutions that provided detailed coverage of CCA for at least some portion of the Class Period.²⁰
- 14. Bloomberg reports the number of such analyst recommendations on a weekly basis. Bloomberg reports buy/sell recommendations on CCA stock by at least three analysts in each week of the Class Period, with an average of five analysts per week covering CCA during the Class Period.²¹ Coverage by one or two analysts has been found to strengthen the presumption of efficiency for a publicly traded stock.²²
- 15. I have been provided with over 250 individual analyst reports discussing CCA during the Class Period.²³ These reports include detailed analyses of CCA's business and operations from securities analysts at major financial institutions such as Wells Fargo Securities, LLC, Deutsche Bank, and Barclays Capital.²⁴ In addition to supporting analysts' buy/sell recommendations and price targets for CCA, these reports reflected analysts' commentary (both quantitative and qualitative) on new, value-relevant information.
- 16. The analyst coverage of CCA during the Class Period demonstrates that newly available, value-relevant financial information was actively monitored and scrutinized by a network of investment professionals who quickly digested new information and disseminated their reactions to CCA investors. Such coverage supports the proposition that CCA's shares traded in an efficient market throughout the Class Period.

3) Cammer Factor 3: Existence of Market Makers/Institutional Investors and Arbitrageurs

- 17. The court in *Cammer* found that "[t]he existence of market makers and arbitrageurs would ensure completion of the market mechanism; these individuals would react swiftly to company news and reported financial results by buying or selling stock and driving it to a changed price level."²⁵
- 18. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("<u>SEC</u>") defines a market maker as "a firm that stands ready to buy and sell a particular stock on a regular and continuous basis at a publicly quoted price."²⁶ Market makers hold shares of securities to fill buy or sell orders on demand, thereby offering investors liquidity. The presence of market makers ensures that buyers and sellers of a stock have a ready

²⁶ SEC, "Fast Answers: Market Maker," https://www.sec.gov/fast-answers/answersmktmakerhtm.html (last visited July 27, 2020).



²⁰ See Appendix B.

²¹ Bloomberg.

Barber, Brad M.; Griffin, Paul A.; and Lev, Baruch, "The Fraud-on-the-Market Theory and the Indicators of Common Stocks' Efficiency," *The Journal of Corporation Law*, 1994, pp. 302 and 310-311.

I identify 219 individual analyst reports related to CCA during the Class Period in Appendix B.

²⁴ See **Appendix B**. Analyst reports were accessed through Thompson Reuters.

²⁵ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286-87.

counterparty available for the "completion of the market mechanism" as new value-relevant information becomes available.²⁷

- 19. CCA was listed on the NYSE throughout the Class Period. The NYSE assigns a Designated Market Maker ("<u>DMM</u>") to each security that trades on it, facilitating fair and orderly trading.²⁸ The structure of the NYSE, including its DMM system, in combination with the requirements for being listed on the NYSE, supports the general presumption that a stock traded on the NYSE trades in an efficient market.²⁹
- 20. Through a review of the analyst reports covering CCA, I identified four financial institutions that disclose they made a market in CCA common stock during the Class Period.³⁰ The presence of the NYSE DMM in addition to multiple large institutional market makers ensures that buyers and sellers are able to routinely exchange shares at market-clearing prices, which ensures prices are reflective of information known by market participants.
- 21. *Cammer* also points to the presence of arbitrageurs, who "react swiftly to company news and reported financial results," as another indication of market efficiency.³¹ Arbitrageurs maintain market efficiency by identifying opportunities to buy/sell securities that are under/over-priced. This ensures prevailing prices reflect available value-relevant information.
- 22. One way to measure the extent to which a security is owned by the type of well-informed investors that typically act as arbitrageurs is to examine the percentage of shares owned by institutional investors such as mutual funds or money managers. Institutional investors are presumed to be well-informed about the securities they hold and able to interpret and act upon new information.³² Such investors have the capital, information, and resources required to take advantage of even relatively small arbitrage opportunities, ensuring that share prices reflect value-relevant information.

The cornerstone of the NYSE market model is the Designated Market Maker (DMM). DMMs have obligations to maintain fair and orderly markets for their assigned securities. They operate both manually and electronically to facilitate price discovery during market opens, closes and during periods of trading imbalances or instability. This high-touch approach is crucial for offering the best prices, dampening volatility, adding liquidity and enhancing value. DMMs apply their market experience and judgment of dynamic trading conditions, macroeconomic news and industry-specific intelligence, to inform their decisions. A valuable resource for our listed-company community, DMMs offer insights, while making capital commitments, maintaining market integrity, and supporting price discovery.

Barber, Brad M.; Griffin, Paul A.; & Lev, Baruch, "The Fraud-on-the-Market Theory and the Indicators of Common Stocks' Efficiency," Winter 1994, Journal of Corporate Law, at p. 292.



²⁷ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286-87; Fast Answers: Market Maker, https://www.sec.gov/fast-answers/answersmktmakerhtm.html (last visited July 27, 2020).

²⁸ According to the NYSE:

Intercontinental Exchange, Designated Market Maker, https://www.nyse.com/market-model (last visited July 27, 2020).

In re Banc of Cal. Sec. Litig., 326 F.R.D. 640, 649 (C.D. Cal. 2018) ("oversight of a DMM favors market efficiency").

See, for example, Wells Fargo, "CXW: Initiating Coverage with a Market Perform Rating," December 19, 2014, at p. 14; Barclays Capital, "Investor Day provides 'Private Prison 101' to build REIT traction," October 3, 2013, at p. 9; CRT Capital, "Initiating Coverage of CXW; Expect Earnings Revisions, "FV," \$35 PT," January 23, 2014, at p. 26; Avondale Partners, LLC, "CXW - Raising Price Target after 1Q13 Beat" May 9, 2015 at p. 5.

³¹ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1286-87.

23. During the Class Period, institutional investors owned at least 76 percent of CCA's publicly-available common stock.³³ This is broadly consistent with the level of institutional ownership of stocks included in major indices such as the S&P 500.³⁴ CCA stock is, therefore, predominantly held by sophisticated, well-informed investors who are in a position to consider and react to new, value-relevant information. The level of institutional ownership of CCA stock, coupled with the participation of multiple market makers, suggests that CCA traded in an efficient market.

4) Cammer Factor 4: Eligibility to File an S-3 Registration Statement

- 24. The SEC allows "more seasoned" companies to file a Form S-3 to register securities.³⁵ The court in *Cammer* found "the existence of Form S-3 status is an important factor weighing in favor of a finding that a market is efficient" as "it is the largest and most well-known companies which register equity securities on Form S-3."³⁶
- 25. The Form S-3 provides for an expedited registration of public securities by a company that already has registered a class of securities under the Securities Act and which has been in compliance with the reporting requirements under the Securities Act without defaulting on debts during the previous year.³⁷ A company is eligible to register an equity offering with an expedited Form S-3 when its common equity held by non-affiliates (its "public float") is at worth least \$75 million.³⁸ According to *Cammer*, "[t]he 'public float' aspect of the Form S-3 requirements ensures that enough investors have in fact read the previously filed [prospectus]. . . . It is this aspect of the Form S-3 requirements that calls into play the efficient market hypothesis."³⁹
- 26. Throughout the Class Period, I understand CCA traded on the NYSE and met the principal requirements to file a Form S-3: it had sufficient public float, had not defaulted on debt, and was in compliance with Securities Act disclosure obligations; in addition, CCA did file a Form S-3 during to the Class Period.⁴⁰ CCA's eligibility to file a Form S-3 during the Class Period is further evidence that its shares traded in an efficient market.

⁴⁰ CCA filed an S-3 in May 2015 (see CCA Form S-3 dated May 15, 2015).



³³ Calculated as the number of shares owned by institutional investors expressed as a percentage of shares outstanding as reported by Bloomberg.

See, e.g., McGrath, Charles, "80% of equity market cap held by institutions," Pensions & Investments, April 25, 2017; CNN Business, "S&P Global," at https://money.cnn.com/quote/shareholders/shareholders.html?symb=SPGl&subView=institutional (last visited August 5, 2020).

³⁵ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1284.

³⁶ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1285, 1271 n.5. See also, Krogman, 202 F.R.D. at 476 (finding that the SEC permits the filing of a Form S-3 "only on the premise that the stock is already traded on an open and efficient market, such that further disclosure is unnecessary").

Form S-3 Registration Statement Under the Securities Act of 1933, at 2-3, available at https://www.sec.gov/files/forms-3.pdf (last visited July 27, 2020).

Alternatively, companies that do not have a public float of at least \$75 million can file an S-3 if they meet all other S-3 requirements, are not a shell company, have their stock listed and registered on a national securities exchange, and limit their offerings to no more than 1/3 of the market value of stock held by non-affiliates. See id. at 3, 5.

³⁹ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1285 & n. 33.

- 5) Cammer Factor 5: Empirical Evidence of Cause-and-Effect Relationship Between Events and Stock Price Movements
- 27. The fifth *Cammer* factor relates to a cause-and-effect relationship between events and stock price movements. As the court explained:

[I]t would be helpful to a plaintiff seeking to allege an efficient market to allege empirical facts showing a cause and effect relationship between unexpected corporate events or financial releases and an immediate response in the stock price. This, after all, is the essence of an efficient market and the foundation for the fraud on the market theory.⁴¹

28. The fifth *Cammer* factor implies that on days when new information that is relevant to the value of a company whose stock trades in an efficient market becomes available, price movements (both positive and negative) tend to be larger than price movements on days without such information.⁴² Since information has the potential to change expectations about a company and, therefore, the value of its shares, on average one would expect days on which new information was released to be associated with a relatively higher frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns in an efficient market in which shares react quickly to new information.

a) Release Days

- 29. In order to analyze the fifth *Cammer* factor with regard to CCA, I first identify a subset of days on which CCA released value-relevant information through press releases ("Release Days"). The Release Days are therefore days on which one would expect value-relevant information to have become available to the market. I compare the frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns on Release Days (the treatment group) to that of other days in the Class Period (the control group) to test whether Release Days tended to be accompanied by significant changes in CCA's share price.
- 30. After reviewing CCA's press releases during the Class Period, I consider days on which CCA issued a press release or guidance relating to quarterly or annual financial results to be a clear and unambiguous set of days that one would expect, *ex ante*, to be value-relevant.⁴³ Academic articles and

Limiting my Release Days to earnings release days and the announcement of CCA's REIT conversion does not mean that there are no other days within the Class Period on which new, value-relevant information was released. By its very nature, the selection of a limited number of Release Days when news was released, if anything, biases my results toward a finding of no cause-and-effect relationship (as my Release Days exclude all but one non-earnings-release day on which value-relevant information may have become available, thereby decreasing the likelihood of observing a difference in the frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns across Release days and others). By only considering earnings releases and CCA's REIT conversion announcement, therefore, I ensure that the manner in which I identified Release Days is consistent with the principles of economic hypothesis testing and was performed using a replicable process.



⁴¹ Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1287.

An abnormal price movement on all days when information is released is not necessary for a finding of market efficiency because certain releases may have been small relative to the size of the firm or expected (e.g., financial releases where CCA met expectations).

treatises explain theoretically and demonstrate empirically that information disclosed in conjunction with earnings announcements can cause investors to significantly reevaluate the worth of a particular security.⁴⁴

31. I identified 19 Release Days during the Class Period, which includes earnings release days and the announcement of CCA's REIT conversion. The earnings information included in each Release Day originated from CCA and was released to the public market via press release at the beginning of the business day.⁴⁵

b) Event Study

- 32. In order to examine the extent to which CCA's share price responded to information disclosed on Release Days, I apply a widely accepted technique known as an event study.⁴⁶ Event studies examine share price returns corresponding to a particular *event window*, during which the event in question occurred. An event study may be used to isolate the impact of an announcement corresponding to a particular event from other factors that would have affected the share price at that time, such as macroeconomic news affecting broad market indices.
- 33. A widely used application of the event study is known as the market model.⁴⁷ The market model is based on regression analysis, which provides a statistical framework for examining the nature and form of the relationship between two or more variables. In this case, a market model may be used to explain or predict changes in the dependent variable, in this case CCA's share price returns, as a function of changes in the values of the independent variables, such as returns to the overall U.S. stock market and a REIT sector index.
- 34. The market model works by predicting what the share price return would have been based on movements in market indices on a particular day.⁴⁸ By subtracting predicted returns from the actual returns, we can estimate the change in the company's share price that is not explained by wider market phenomena, which is known as the *abnormal return*. Thus, the abnormal return is the difference between the return predicted by the market model and the actual return associated with the event at issue.

Share price returns are computed as the percentage movements in the security price. For the purposes of estimating the market model, share price returns are typically expressed as logarithmic returns, or log returns. Specifically, a log return is the natural logarithm of the ratio of two daily closing security prices: $\ln(P_t/P_{t,1})$, where 'ln' is the natural logarithm, ' P_t ' refers to the security price on day t and ' P_{t-1} ' refers to the security price one trading day prior to day t.



See, e.g., Beaver, William H., "The Information Content of Annual Earnings Announcements," Journal of Accounting Research 6 (1968), Empirical Research in Accounting: Selected Studies, 1968, pp. 67-92; May, Robert G., "The Influence of Quarterly Earnings Announcements on Investor Decisions as Reflected in Common Stock Price Changes," Journal of Accounting Research 9 (1971), Empirical Research in Accounting: Selected Studies, 1971, pp. 119-163; Aharony, Joseph and Swary, Itzhak, "Quarterly Dividend and Earnings Announcements and Stockholders' Returns: An Empirical Analysis," The Journal of Finance 35(1) (1980), pp. 1-12.

The one exception is the CCA press release "CCA Board of Directors Authorizes REIT Conversion," issued on February 7, 2013 after the close of business.

Campbell, John; Lo, Andrew W.; and MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1997, Chapter 4. See also Halliburton II, 573 U.S. at 280-81.

⁴⁷ Campbell, John, Andrew W. Lo and A. Craig MacKinlay. The Econometrics of Financial Markets. Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press (1997), Chapters 4-6. See also, A. Craig MacKinlay, "Event Studies in Economics and Finance," Journal of Economic Literature, Vol. 35. No. 1, Mar. 1997.

- 35. In cases where the abnormal return is statistically significant, it may be reasonable to conclude that it was caused by the event in question, provided the news became available to the market at the time of (or just prior to) the abnormal movement.⁴⁹
- 36. The market model can control for broad market movements as well as industry-specific information that is not specific to the company. In addition, market models may also include indicator variables to control for other events, such as earnings announcements, that one would expect to affect share price returns on days outside the event window.⁵⁰
- 37. In this case, CCA announced that it was converting to a REIT after the market had closed on February 7, 2013.⁵¹ I tested for changes in the regression model and found that a structural change in the model occurred on February 8, 2013. A widely used statistical test known as a Chow Test indicates that there was a structural break in the regression model between the periods from February 27, 2012 through February 7, 2013 ("Interval 1") and February 8, 2013 through August 17, 2016 ("Interval 2").⁵² The Chow Test was statistically significant at the 5% significance level, indicating that there were structural changes in the regression relationship before and after the formal announcement of the REIT conversion.
- 38. I apply a market model to estimate CCA abnormal returns for the Class Period using the following independent variables:
 - a. An independent variable representing the daily log return of the S&P 500 Total Return Index (the "Market Index") adjusted to exclude the returns of CCA, calculated as the natural logarithm of the ratio of its consecutive daily closing prices, or In(P(MRKT)/P(MRKT)).53
 - b. Independent variables representing the daily log return of a relevant index.
 - i. During Interval 1, I rely on the S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index (the "S&P 400 Index").⁵⁴

The S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index is a capitalization-weighted index which includes the sub-industries of Commercial Printing, Environmental & Facilities Services, Office Services and Supplies, Diversified Support Services, and Security and Alarm Services (see S&P Global, "GICS- Global Industry Classification Standard"). https://www.spglobal.com/spdji/en/documents/education/education-sector-primer-series-industrials.pdf.



Statistical significance represents the likelihood that a result or observed relationship between two variables is unlikely under a specific hypothesis. Hypothesis testing is traditionally employed to determine if a result is statistically significant or not. This provides a "p-value" representing the probability of observing data as extreme as that which was measured if the null hypothesis is indeed true. A statistically significant result at the one percent significance level is one in which there is a less than one percent probability of observing this data if the null hypothesis were true. Such p-values are also often described in terms of confidence levels by subtracting the p-value from 100 percent. See, for instance, Wooldridge, Jeffrey M., Introductory Econometrics, 6th ed., Boston, MA: Cengage Learning (2016), p. 119.

Indicator variables take a value of one on the relevant day and zero on all other days.

⁵¹ Barclays Capital, "CXW Receives Its PLR; 11am Call," February 8, 2013; Macquarie Capital (USA), "Positive PLR to 'Unlock' Value in CXW," February 8, 2013; SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, "Favorable Ruling and Details on REIT Conversion," February 8, 2013.

Chow, Gregory C. "Tests of Equality Between Sets of Coefficients in Two Linear Regressions." *Econometrica* 28, no. 3 (1960): 591-605. Accessed July 30, 2020. doi:10.2307/1910133.

The S&P 500 index is a widely-used proxy for large-cap equity movements and currently represents approximately 80 percent of the total available U.S. equity market by market capitalization. Gunzberg, J. & Edwards, T., "Why is the S&P 500® Relevant Globally?" S&P Global, https://www.spglobal.com/en/research-insights/articles/Why-is-the-SP-500-Relevant-Globally (last visited July 27, 2020). See also "S&P Index," Bloomberg, https://www.bloomberg.com/quote/SPX:IND (last visited July 27, 2020).

- ii. During Interval 2, I rely on the FTSE Nareit All Equity REITs (FNER) Index (the "<u>REIT Index</u>") adjusted to exclude the returns of CCA along with the S&P 400 Index.⁵⁵
- Indicator, or dummy, variables that have a value of one on Release Days and zero on all other days.
- 39. I use the market model to predict CCA's expected share price return on each day of the Class Period using a set number of prior days' returns, or *estimation windows*. In order to confirm that my results are not sensitive to changes in the estimation window, I predict each trading day's return using a rolling estimation window based on the preceding twelve months (252 trading days) of daily returns.
- 40. I then compare the frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns on the Release Days to abnormal returns on all other trading days during the Class Period.

c) Analysis of Abnormal Returns

- 41. The market model ensures that the abnormal return on any Release Day is indicative of a stock's reaction to new information, after controlling for returns that may be predicted from broader market movements. When statistically significant abnormal returns systematically follow the release of new information, one can infer that the value-relevant information is causing returns.⁵⁷
- 42. When an event related to firm value (such as an information release) takes place on a specific day and the return following that event is significantly different from the prediction, it can be inferred that the stock price responded to the event or release of information on that day. If a day's return following such an event is statistically significant (as typically measured at the 5 percent level), then this implies that there is less than a 5 percent chance one would observe such an abnormal return under the null hypothesis that the market model fully explains CCA's returns.
- 43. I evaluate evidence of a cause-and-effect relationship between the release of value-relevant information and stock price movements by testing a hypothesis that the frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns differs between Release Days and other trading days. If CCA trades in an efficient market, I expect a higher frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns on days in which news is released

The absence of a statistically significant abnormal return does not necessarily imply that a company's stock did not react to a particular set of information since, for instance, significant positive and negative news released at the same time can have offsetting effects, resulting in an abnormal return that is not statistically significant.



Prior to the REIT conversion, CCA identified the S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index as representative of its sector. See Corrections Corporation of America, 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2012, at p. 48; and Corrections Corporation of America, 2013 Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013, at p. 44.

The FTSE Nareit All Equity REITs index contains all tax-qualified REITs with more than 50 percent of total assets in qualifying real estate assets other than mortgages secured by real property that also meet minimum size and liquidity criteria. See, FTSE webpage at https://research.ftserussell.com/Analytics/FactSheets/temp/a15e957e-90a2-4087-8634-a4f41399d0f2.pdf

Campbell, John; Lo, Andrew W.; and MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton, New Jersey: Princeton University Press, 1997, at p. 152.

to the market relative to other trading days. I do not expect statistically significant returns to occur on all Release Days, since not all information released to the market is necessarily material or differs from expectations (e.g., market prices may already reflect the information if the event it was previously expected).

44. The set of Release Days that I identify in the Class Period provide sufficient statistical power from which to draw reliable inferences as to the responsiveness of CCA stock to new, value-relevant information. I find a significantly higher frequency of statistically significant abnormal returns on Release Days compared to other days. Within the Class Period, 9 of the 19 Release Days identified (47 percent), have abnormal returns that are significant at the 5 percent level. In contrast, for the remaining 1,108 days in the Class Period, only 72 days (6 percent) have abnormal returns that are significant at the 5 percent level. These results are summarized in the following table.

Table C-1. Abnormal Returns During the Class Period

Release Days

	Significance Level	
	5%	
Total days	19	
Significant Abnormal Return Days Percent of total days	9 47%	

Other days

	Significance Level	
	5%	
Days	1,108	
Significant Abnormal Return Days	72	
Percent of total days	6%	

45. My results are consistent with the hypothesis that there is a cause-and-effect relationship between information revealed on Release Days and CCA's stock price movements. From a statistical perspective, the proportion of Release Days with statistically significant abnormal returns (47%) is higher than the proportion of statistically significant abnormal returns on all other trading days (6%) at the 5 percent significance level.⁵⁸ Such results directly support a conclusion that CCA's share price responded to new information throughout the Class Period, and therefore, CCA's shares traded in an efficient market.

This result holds across alternative estimation windows of three months and six months as well as across abnormal return significance levels of one percent and ten percent. The results indicate that large abnormal returns are much more common on Release Days (when financial results were announced) than on non-Release Days, as would be expected in an efficient market. Chi-squared and Fisher's exact tests confirm the statistical significance of the difference in the frequency of occurrences. Under both tests, the null hypothesis is that Release Days are *not* more likely than non-Release Days to have abnormally large price returns.



d) Conclusion

46. My analysis of CCA's abnormal returns during the Class Period demonstrates that CCA's shares responded quickly and systematically to new information about the company, which directly supports a conclusion that CCA's common stock traded in an efficient market during the Class Period in a manner that can be considered as having arisen from a cause and effect relationship.

B. Additional Indicators of Market Efficiency

47. In addition to those factors identified in *Cammer*, I understand courts have considered other factors when assessing market efficiency.

1) Market Capitalization and Public Float

- 48. The size of a stock's market capitalization and public float have been found to be indicators of market efficiency, as larger companies are more likely to be traded and a larger public float may represent greater trading opportunities for sophisticated investors.⁵⁹
- 49. On every day throughout the Class Period, CCA's market capitalization exceeded \$2.4 billion with no less than 97.9 million shares outstanding on every trading day.⁶⁰ CCA was included in the S&P Midcap 400 index which represents a widely used proxy for mid-cap U.S. equities.⁶¹
- 50. CCA's public float as a percent of total shares outstanding remained above 97.6 percent throughout the Class Period.⁶² As discussed in relation to *Cammer* factor 4, CCA had sufficient public float to file a Form S-3 throughout the Class Period.
- 51. CCA's large market capitalization and public float throughout the Class Period further supports the evidence that CCA traded in an efficient market for CCA stock during the Class Period.

Free float percentage calculated from Bloomberg data. Free float percentage defined as the number of shares of public float (i.e., shares that are readily and freely tradable) expressed as a percentage of shares outstanding. CFA Institute, CFA Program Curriculum Level I Volume 5: Equity and Fixed Income 2019, Wiley, at 165.



⁵⁹ Krogman, 202 F.R.D. at 477-78; Unger v. Amedisys Inc., 401 F.3d at 323; Cheney v. Cyberguard Corp., 213 F.R.D. 484, 502 (S.D. Fla. 2003).

⁶⁰ CCA historical market capitalization and shares outstanding as reported by Bloomberg. Market capitalization represents the market value of a company's issued and outstanding stock. CFA Institute, CFA Program Curriculum Level I Volume 5: Equity and Fixed Income 2019, Wiley, at p. 44.

⁶¹ S&P 400 (^MID) > Key Developments for the period from 1/1/2008 to 11/2012; "CoreCivic Investor FAQs at http://ir.corecivic.com/investor-faqs; S&P Capital IQ; CCA Press release, "CCA to Be Added to the MSCI US REIT Index (RMZ) as of the Close of February 28, 2013," February 14, 2013.

2) **Bid-Ask Spread**

- The bid-ask spread for a security is the difference between the price that a buyer is willing to pay and the price that a seller is willing to accept. 63 Stocks trading at high volumes with multiple market makers tend to have many ready buyers and sellers, such that bid-ask spreads are smaller than those of more thinly traded stocks, which tend to have fewer market participants and larger bid-ask spreads.
- Certain courts have established threshold values for bid-ask spreads that are deemed to weigh in favor of market efficiency. For instance, the court in Cheney found that a bid-ask spread of 2.44 percent weighed in favor of market efficiency.64
- 54. Bloomberg reports that the average bid-ask spread for CCA stock for each trading day during the Class Period averaged 0.045 percent. 65 CCA's narrow bid-ask spread is consistent with evidence that its shares traded in an efficient market.

3) Statistical Properties of Stock Returns (Autocorrelation)

- Econometric techniques can be used to evaluate market efficiency by assessing whether lagged price returns are predictors of future price returns (i.e., whether price returns are autocorrelated). If share price returns systematically predict returns on the next day, then investors could, in theory, profitably trade on past market data, implying that the market for that stock is not efficient.66
- 56. I test for autocorrelation in CCA returns by examining the relationship between each day's share price return and the return on the previous day using regression analysis. I find no statistically significant relationship, indicating that price returns cannot be predicted from previous days' returns. This is consistent with a stock that traded in an efficient market. 67
- 57. When news released into the market affects the stock price unpredictably over time and in a non-systematic manner—that is, when returns respond quickly to new information—the price series is said to have what is known as a "unit root." The presence of a unit root suggests that historical information does not have a persistent effect on returns.⁶⁹ The Augmented Dickey-Fuller test evaluates the presence

See, for instance, Campbell, John Y.; Lo, Andrew W.; MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton University Press, 1997, at p. 30.



CFA Institute, CFA Program Curriculum Level I Volume 5: Equity and Fixed Income 2019, Wiley, at 44.

Cheney, 213 F.R.D. at 501.

CCA bid-ask spread percent as reported by Bloomberg.

See, e.g., Campbell, John Y.; Lo, Andrew W.; MacKinlay, A. Craig, The Econometrics of Financial Markets, Princeton University Press, 1997, at p. 22.

In regression analysis, the null hypothesis being tested is that the coefficient on the independent variables is zero. In this case, the coefficient on the independent variable is insignificant, indicating the data are consistent with the null hypothesis (that the coefficient is zero and that the prior day's return has no impact on the current day's return). Pindyck, Robert S. and Rubinfeld, Daniel L., *Econometric Models and Economic Forecasts*, 4th ed., The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., 1998, at p. 43. *Stata Time Series Reference Manual Release 15* (2017), "Augmented Dickey-Fuller unit root test," at p. 157.

of a "unit root" in a time-series.⁷⁰ Performing the Augmented Dickey-Fuller on CCA's stock price during the Class Period indicates that CCA's price series has a unit root, which is consistent with the evidence that CCA's stock traded in an efficient market.⁷¹

4) Lack of Constraints on Short Selling

- 58. I understand that the presence of short sellers is another factor that courts have considered as evidence of market efficiency.⁷² Short sellers increase trading volumes and enhance the ability of a market to adjust for new information (*e.g.* as a check on share prices).
- 59. Constraints on short sellers, all else equal, would reduce market participation and potentially affect market efficiency. To assess whether short-selling constraints exist, regulatory agencies rely on certain factors, including "fails-to-deliver" in a short transaction. The SEC requires self-regulating organizations (like the NYSE) to maintain lists of "threshold securities" that may have heightened risk of short sale constraints.⁷³ A threshold security is one that meets the following criteria:
 - a. There is an aggregate fail to deliver position at a registered clearing agency for five consecutive settlement days;⁷⁴
 - There are aggregate fails to deliver at a registered clearing agency of 10,000 shares or more per security;⁷⁵ and
 - c. The level of fails is equal to at least one-half of one percent of the issuer's total shares outstanding.⁷⁶
- 60. The SEC tracks the total fails-to-deliver shares for each security. While some level of delivery failures is common, the SEC tracks securities with delivery failures exceeding one-half of one percent for more than five consecutive settlement dates.⁷⁷ As shown in the chart below, CCA was below the threshold established by the SEC on all trading days during the Class Period.

⁷⁷ SEC Rule 203(c)(6).



Dickey, David, and Fuller, Wayne, "Distribution of the Estimators for Autoregressive Time Series with a Unit Root," *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, Vol. 74, Issue 366 (June 1979), at 427-431.

The Augmented Dickey Fuller test evaluates the presence of a unit root in a time-series. The null hypothesis being tested is that a unit root exists. In this case, the test suggests the presence of a unit root in CCA's stock price *series* and rejects the premise a unit root exists in CCA's stock price *returns*.

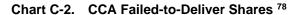
⁷² See, e.g., Schleicher v. Wendt, 618 F.3d 679, 685 (7th Cir. 2010); Barclays, 310 F.R.D. at 81 n.77.

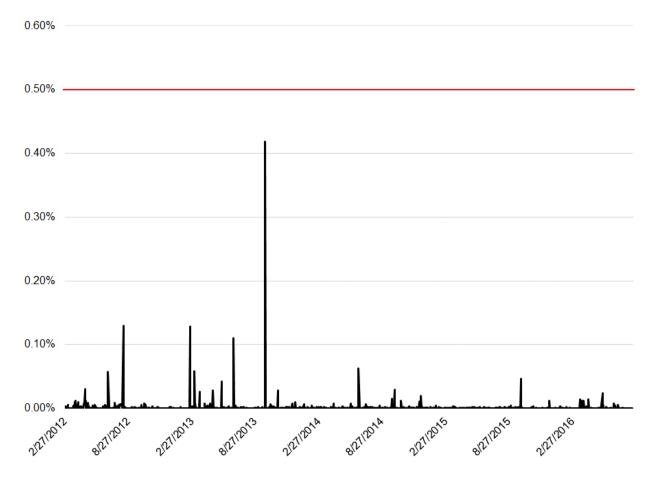
See, e.g., Intercontinental Exchange, NYSE Regulation Threshold Securities, available at https://www.nyse.com/regulation/threshold-securities (last visited July 27, 2020); Nasdaq Trader, Nasdaq Threshold List, available at https://www.nasdaqtrader.com/trader.aspx?id=RegSHOThreshold (last visited July 27, 2020).

In the context of short selling, fails-to-deliver shares "represent the aggregate net balance of shares that failed to be delivered as of a particular settlement date." SEC, Fails-to-Deliver Data, available at https://www.sec.gov/data/foiadocsfailsdatahtm (last visited July 27, 2020); SEC, Threshold Securities, available at https://www.sec.gov/answers/threshold.htm (last visited July 27, 2020).

⁷⁵ SEC, Threshold Securities, available at https://www.sec.gov/answers/threshold.htm (last visited July 27, 2020).

⁷⁶ SEC Rule 203(c)(6).





- 61. The SEC also notes that securities designated as "threshold securities" tend to have higher fees.⁷⁹ High fees can also limit short selling by consuming profits and deterring investors who might otherwise engage in short transactions. CCA was not on the threshold list during the Class Period and, therefore, was less likely to have high shorting fees during the Class Period.
- 62. With few delivery failures and the lack of a threshold security designation, there is no evidence of short sale constraints for CCA common stock during the Class Period. This further supports the inference that CCA traded in an efficient market.

In the Matter of Gary S. Bell, SEC Release No. 65941, December 13, 2011 (noting that "threshold securities are hard-to-borrow and therefore command large fees in the stock loan market").



⁷⁸ SEC, Fails-to-Deliver Data, available at https://www.sec.gov/data/foiadocsfailsdatahtm (last visited July 27, 2020); shares outstanding as reported by Bloomberg.

C. Conclusion

I understand courts have not established a single test to determine whether a security trades in an efficient market; rather, a finding of market efficiency is based on multiple factors.80 Table 2 summarizes my findings for each of the above factors.

Table C-2. Summary of Market Efficiency Findings

Factor	Results During Class Period	Supports EMH
Cammer Factors		
Stock trading volume	4.1 percent average weekly turnover during Class Period	Yes
Number of analysts following stock	~ 5 analysts covering in any week, 11 total throughout Class Period	Yes
Market makers and institutional investors	At least five market makers and numerous institutional holders	Yes
Eligibility to file an S-3 registration statement	Yes, eligible, and actually did file an S-3 during the Class Period	Yes
Cause-and-effect relationship between events and stock price movements	Statistically significant differences between Release Days and non-Release Days	Yes
Other Factors		
Market capitalization	> \$2.4 billion	Yes
Bid-ask spread	Average spread of 0.045 percent	Yes
Stock's float	> 97.6% of shares publicly floated	Yes
Statistical properties	No indication of autocorrelation in returns; unit root illustrates no persistence of historical information in returns	Yes
Constraints on short selling	No evidence of constraints	Yes

64. Shares that trade in an efficient market do not necessarily have to meet each of the above criteria. Shares of CCA common stock, however, met each of these criteria throughout the Class Period. In my opinion, CCA stock traded in an efficient market, which is supported by my analysis of the Cammer and other factors.

Cammer, 711 F. Supp. at 1287.



I. BOP Contracts' Contribution to FFO Per Share

- 1. To estimate the value of the BOP contracts that would have been removed from CCA's share price if CCA had disclosed the allegedly concealed risks about its BOP relationship, I start by examining the earnings contribution of its BOP facilities. It is this expected earnings stream that would have been a basis for the value of these contracts in the counterfactual.
- 2. For the purpose of this analysis, I refer primarily to expected FFO, as this is a measure of earnings that is closely related to cash and one on which CCA and covering analysts consistently focused around the time of the corrective disclosures. I begin with the evidence provided by CCA in regard to earnings from these facilities at the times of the corrective disclosures:
 - a. With respect to the Cibola facility, CCA disclosed at the time of the Cibola Contract Loss that its FFO contribution per share was approximately \$0.04 per year.¹
 - b. With respect to the remaining BOP facilities at the time of the Yates Memorandum (Adams, McRae, and Eden), CCA did not disclose FFO contribution associated with these facilities. The morning after the Yates Memorandum, however, CCA disclosed that "[t]hese contracts represent approximately \$131.2 million in annual revenues, or approximately seven percent of CCA's total annual revenue, at operating margins consistent with CCA's owned and managed facility portfolio average."² Applying CCA's estimate of seven percent to CCA's consensus FFO of \$2.55 before the Yates Memorandum suggests that these remaining facilities would have contributed about \$0.18 per share per year to FFO.
- 3. A review of analyst reports suggests that analysts generally attributed a higher FFO contribution to the Adams, McRae, and Eden facilities. This is consistent with the notion that analysts would have assessed marginal, rather than average, earnings contributions from CCA's BOP facilities. As CCA explained in its public filings:

The operation of the facilities we own carries a higher degree of risk associated with a facility contract than the operation of the facilities we manage but do not own because we incur significant capital expenditures to construct or acquire facilities we own. Additionally, correctional and detention facilities have limited or no alternative use. Therefore, if a contract is terminated on a facility we own, we continue to incur certain operating expenses, such as real estate taxes, utilities, and insurance.³

³ CCA 2015 Form 10-K.



CoreCivic, Inc. Second Quarter 2016 Earnings Call dated August 4, 2016 at pp. 11 and 14. The transcript describes the reduction as both 4 cents in FFO and 4 cents in EBITDA.

² CCA Form 8-K dated August 19, 2016.

4. Accordingly, I have examined analyst reports and changes in expected FFO at the time of the Yates Memorandum for the analysts covering CCA.

A. Canaccord Genuity

5. The October 5, 2015 Canaccord analyst report directly estimated annualized FFO per share contribution of each facility.⁴ The estimates are presented in the table below:

Table D-1. Canaccord Genuity FFO Estimates for Adams, McRae, and Eden (Oct-15)

Facility	Location	Contract Renewal Date	Est. Annualized FFO/sh. Contribution	Pct. Est. Annualized FFO/sh. Contribution
Adams County Correctional	Natchez, MS	July 2017	\$0.16	40.0%
McRae Correctional Facility	McRae, GA	November 2016	\$0.14	35.0%
Eden Detention Center	Eden, TX	Eden, TX April 2017		25.0%
Total			\$0.40	

6. I note that the FFO contributions in the above table are proportional to each facility's design capacity (in terms of bed count), with Adams, McRae, and Eden accounting for 2,232, 1,978, and 1,422 beds, respectively.⁵

7. Following the Yates Memorandum, on August 23, 2016, Canaccord updated its normalized FFO forecast for 2017 to assume that the three BOP prison contracts would not be renewed upon expiration.⁶ The following table summarizes changes in Canaccord's estimates.

Cannacord Genuity, "Private Prisons Aren't Going Anywhere, but Risks Could Continue to Weigh on Stocks," August 23, 2016, p. 8. The impact of the renegotiation of the South Texas Family Residential Facility contract and closure of the Cibola facility are previously addressed in Canaccord's August 4, 2016 update (Cannacord Genuity, "2Q Review: STFRC Renegotiation Ambiguity Limits Near-term Upside; Reiterate HOLD," August 4, 2016, pp. 4-5), such that this revision reflects updated expectations following the Yates Memorandum.



Cannacord Genuity, "Behind the Bars: Bi-Weekly Prison Update 10-5-15," October 5, 2015, at Figure 3.

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Table D-2. Canaccord Genuity Post Yates Memorandum Revisions

	2017E	2017E	Change in
	As of 8/4/2016	As of 8/23/2016	Estimate
Year-End Owned Bed Count	68,952	63,320	(5,632)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$382.0M	\$330.2M	(\$51.8M)
FFO	\$266.7M	\$215.0M	(\$51.7M)
FFO per Share	\$2.26	\$1.82	(\$0.44)

8. Using the forecasted full year 2017 data, the implied annual FFO impact of the loss of CCA's remaining three BOP contracts is approximately \$0.44 per share. The full year forecast, however, includes contribution attributable to the Eden and Adams facilities through the end of their contracts in April 2017 and July 2017, respectively. Annualizing the forecast revision from Q3-Q4 2017E implies that these facilities accounted for approximately \$0.52 of FFO.⁷

Table D-3. Canaccord Genuity Post Yates Memorandum FFO Revisions (Annualized)

	3Q-4Q 2017E	3Q-4Q 2017E	Change in	Annualized
	As of 8/4/2016	As of 8/23/2016	Estimate	Change ⁸
FFO per Share	\$1.16	\$0.90	(\$0.26)	(\$0.52)

9. Together, estimates from Canaccord analyst reports imply a range of annualized FFO per share contributions of \$0.40 to \$0.52 for the McRae, Eden, and Adams facilities.

B. SunTrust

10. SunTrust issued an analyst report dated September 1, 2016. In this report, SunTrust updated its 2017 financial estimates for CCA from a previous report dated August 4, 2016.⁹ A summary of the changes are presented in the table below:

SunTrust Robinson, "Renegotiation With ICE Ongoing; Remain Neutral," August 4, 2016, at p. 3 and SunTrust Robinson, "CXW, GEO - Lowering Estimates & PTs Amid Political Shift," September 1, 2016. at p.13. While SunTrust issued a report for CCA on August 19, 2016, it did not include updated financial projections.



Cannacord Genuity, "2Q Review: STFRC Renegotiation Ambiguity Limits Near-term Upside; Reiterate HOLD," August 4, 2016, at p. 8 and Cannacord Genuity, "Private Prisons Aren't Going Anywhere, but Risks Could Continue to Weigh on Stocks," August 23, 2016, at p. 19. This approach would not account for seasonal or other assumptions Canaccord made when forecasting on a quarterly basis.

⁸ Change in Estimate annualized based on 365 day year.

Table D-4. SunTrust Post Yates Memorandum Revisions

	2017E	2017E	Change in
	As of 8/4/2016	As of 9/1/2016	Estimate
Total Revenue	\$1,851.2M	\$1,611.7M	(\$239.5M)
Operating Income	\$292.5M	\$212.4M	(\$80.2M)
EBITDA	\$464.7M	\$384.8M	(\$79.9M)
Normalized FFO Per Share	\$2.64	\$1.97	(\$0.67)
Adjusted FFO Per Share	\$2.56	\$1.89	(\$0.67)

- 11. SunTrust noted that it maintains its neutral rating due to: "(1) risk to the dividend (currently \$2.16 annually or 110% of our \$1.97 FFO estimate in '17); (2) our expectation for the lucrative South Texas family detention contract with ICE to be renegotiated and cut EBITDA by 10%; and (3) Prop 57 to change sentencing and parole in CA and put 5% or more of EBITDA at risk in 2017."¹⁰
- 12. In addition, estimated BOP revenue was assumed to decline by approximately \$50 million in 2017 as part of the update, making up 20.9% of the estimated \$239 million reduction in revenue. 11 Allocating the total estimated change in FFO per share of \$0.67 to the BOP business segment using this 20.9% yields an estimated decline of \$0.14 FFO per share attributable the approximately \$50 million BOP revenue reduction. 12
- 13. Given that the \$50 million estimated decline in 2017 BOP revenue is only a portion of the total BOP revenue, the total per share contribution to FFO of the BOP business may be estimated by extrapolating the reduction in revenue to the full business line. Using total annual BOP revenue associated with the three facilities of approximately \$131.2 million, a \$50 million reduction is roughly 38.1% of total revenue. ¹³ Put differently, SunTrust estimated a decline in BOP revenue of approximately 38.1% after the release of the Yates Memo. Such a reduction is commensurate with a \$0.14 per share annual FFO reduction. Extrapolating the \$0.14 per share contribution based on a full reduction of \$131.2 million in BOP revenue would yield a corresponding annual FFO per share reduction of \$0.37 associated with the full revenue of the three BOP facilities. ¹⁴

¹⁴ \$0.14 / 38.1% = \$0.37



SunTrust Robinson, "CXW, GEO - Lowering Estimates & PTs Amid Political Shift," September 1, 2016, p.1.

SunTrust Robinson, "CXW, GEO - Lowering Estimates & PTs Amid Political Shift," September 1, 2016, pp.2 and 5.

^{\$0.67} X 20.9% = \$0.14. According to CCA on August 19, 2016, "[t]hese contracts represent approximately \$131.2 million in annual revenues, or approximately seven percent of CCA's total annual revenue, at operating margins consistent with CCA's owned and managed facility portfolio average" (CCA Form 8-K dated August 19, 2016).

¹³ CCA Form 8-K dated August 19, 2016.

C. Wells Fargo

- 14. In a Wells Fargo analyst report dated August 19, 2016, the potential impact of the DOJ announcement on BOP performance is discussed. Namely, the update provides revised estimates assuming a loss of the Eden Detention Center at time of renewal and bidding of the CAR XVI contracts.
- 15. Using the quarterly data provided in the earlier August 10, 2016 and the August 19, 2016 update, the impact of the loss of the Eden contract can be quantified as beginning in the second quarter of 2017:¹⁵

Table D-5. Wells Fargo Post Yates Memorandum Revisions

	2Q-4Q 2017E	2Q-4Q 2017E	Change in
	As of 8/10/2016	As of 8/19/2016	Estimate
Total Revenue	\$1,353.5M	\$1,322.5M	(\$31.0M)
NOI	\$409.7M	\$399.4M	(\$10.3M)
EBITDA	\$329.2M	\$320.7M	(\$8.5M)
FFO	\$220.6M	\$212.5M	(\$8.1M)
FFO per Share	\$1.877	\$1.808	(\$0.069)

16. Annualized, the total reduction in revenue and FFO per share attributable to the Eden facility are calculated as approximately \$41.1 million and \$0.092, respectively. The Eden facility therefore represented approximately 31.3% of total BOP revenues on a base of \$131.2 million. As such, the implied FFO/AFFO per share contribution of the three total BOP facilities is \$0.29. Alternatively, assuming the Eden facility comprised approximately 25 percent of FFO for the three facilities, based on bed count, this would imply total FFO associated with the three facilities of approximately \$0.37.

D. Summary

17. The following table summarizes the FFO per share contribution calculated for the McRae, Eden, and Adams BOP facilities based on analyst reports:

¹⁹ \$0.092 / 25.0% = \$0.36.7.



Wells Fargo, "CXW: Updating Estimates & Valuation Range After Q2 Earnings Uncertainty Around South TX Facility Likely To Limit Upside," August 10, 2016, at p.2 and Wells Fargo Securities, "DOJ Creates Uncertainty Around Private Corrections, "August 19, 2016, p.2.

Quarters 2 through 4 of 2017 represent 275 days of a 365 day year.

¹⁷ CCA Form 8-K dated August 19, 2016.

¹⁸ \$0.092 / 31.3% = \$0.29.3.

Table D-6. Analysts' Implied FFO Estimates for Adams, McRae, and Eden

	Canaccord	SunTrust	Wells Fargo
FFO per Share Attributable to BOP	\$0.40 - \$0.52	\$0.37	\$0.29 - \$0.37

18. Based on my review of analyst reports and changes in analysts' expectations, Canaccord Genuity's October 2015 report that Adams, McRae, and Eden contributed \$0.40 to CCA's FFO is a reasonable estimate of these facilities' FFO contribution at the time of the Yates Memorandum.

II. BOP Contracts' Contribution to CCA's Counterfactual Value

- 19. While earnings associated with the BOP contracts would have been the same in the counterfactual, the value of these earnings would have been substantially different, since CCA would have disclosed significant risks associated with its BOP relationship. As a result, the value of earnings from the BOP contracts, as reflected in CCA's share price, would have been significantly lower in the counterfactual in which these risks had been known.
- 20. To estimate the value of CCA's BOP contracts in the counterfactual, I have assessed the value of the BOP contracts based on the following counterfactual inputs, which I understand plaintiff expects to demonstrate:
 - the BOP contracts' residual FFO contribution through the contract terms consistent with plaintiff's contention that CCA could not have reasonably expected to retain its BOP relationship after the end of the contracts;
 - b. the counterfactual multiple of FFO that would have been associated with the BOP contracts consistent with plaintiff's contention that CCA should have disclosed that it was unlikely to renew its BOP contracts or win any competitive bids.

A. Remaining value of the BOP contracts

21. In the counterfactual, it is my understanding that plaintiff contends that CCA could not have reasonably expected to retain its BOP contracts at the end of their terms and would have met its obligation to disclose this information to its shareholders. Market participants, therefore, would not have expected CCA to retain its BOP contracts as they approached renewal or expiration.

- 22. Before the corrective disclosures in August 2016, all four of the BOP contracts were up for renewal within one year.²⁰ If the market expected that none of these contracts would be renewed, then the value of these contracts reflected in the share price would be less than their expected annual contributions to FFO, which as previously discussed was approximately \$0.44 (\$0.40 for Adams, McRae, and Eden plus \$0.04 for Cibola), as each contract would be expected to expire within the year.
- 23. It is possible that market participants would have expected some portion of the BOP earnings stream to be renewed, based on the BOP having renewed certain contracts during the Class Period. I understand, however, that CCA's likelihood of winning a contract through a competitive bidding process (as opposed to the BOP exercising an option to renew) for any of its BOP facilities was even lower than its likelihood of having a contract renewed. At the time of the corrective disclosures, CCA had not won a competitive BOP bid since 2011 and had lost its bid for the Northeast Ohio facility.²¹ Therefore, at most, a reasonable assumption is that market participants would only have placed a value on the FFO expected through the end of each of the BOP contracts, as set forth in the following table.

Table D-7. CCA BOP Contracts' Remaining FFO and Value as of August 2016²²

	Exp.	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
McRae	Nov-22	\$0.05	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.14	\$0.12	\$0.88
Adams	Jul-19	0.06	0.16	0.16	0.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.46
Eden	Apr-17	0.04	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.06
Cibola	Sep-20	0.01	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.00	0.00	0.16
Total		\$0.16	\$0.36	\$0.34	\$0.26	\$0.17	\$0.14	\$0.12	\$1.56
Discounte	ed Value ²³	\$0.16	\$0.33	\$0.29	\$0.20	\$0.11	\$0.09	\$0.07	\$1.25
Cibola		\$0.01	\$0.04	\$0.03	\$0.03	\$0.02	\$-	\$-	\$0.13
Adams/McRae/Eden		\$0.15	\$0.30	\$0.25	\$0.17	\$0.10	\$0.09	\$0.07	\$1.12
Discount	Rate 24	10.4%							
Growth R	ate	1.0%							

As set forth in my reliance materials, other earnings capitalization assumptions (discount and growth rates) consistent with CCA's FFO multiple do not materially affect these results.



Cibola County Corrections Center in September 2016, McRae Correctional Facility in November 2016, Eden Detention Center in April 2017, and Adams County Corrections Center in July 2017. Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, pp. 14-17.

²¹ Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2011 through 2016.

Details of these calculations are provided in my reliance materials.

Discounted Value assessed using a mid-period convention.

24. The value of remaining term of the BOP contracts at the time of the corrective disclosures would tend to overstate their counterfactual value. Not only does this analysis assume that the BOP was expected to exercise all renewal options, but the discount rate applied to FFO reflects CCA's actual discount rate before the Yates Memorandum. In the counterfactual, the discount rate applied to expected BOP cash flows would be higher to account for CCA's higher risk profile as well as the additional risk associated with its BOP contracts.

B. Counterfactual FFO multiple

25. In addition to measuring the actual value of the BOP contracts, one may also look to valuation principles to estimate the counterfactual valuation multiple that would be applied to earnings from the BOP contracts. From an economic perspective, CCA's purported customer retention rate was directly linked to its value. As CCA explained in its public filings:

...a majority of our contracts have terms between one and five years, and we have historically experienced customer retention of approximately 90%, which contributes to our relatively predictable and stable revenue base. This stream of revenue combined with our low maintenance capital expenditure requirement translates into steady predictable cash flow.²⁵

- 26. CCA also referred to purported retention rates in excess of 90 percent on its earnings calls.²⁶ Analysts covering CCA echoed management's comments, referring to the company's high retention rates.²⁷ Based on my review, neither CCA nor analysts distinguished the risk to the BOP relationship stemming from CCA's performance issues from the general risks associated with CCA's overall business. Similarly, I have seen no evidence to suggest that market participants understood that the likelihood of renewing earnings from the BOP was lower than what CCA reported for the rest of its business.
- 27. In the counterfactual world, however, market participants would have held a different view of expected retention rates associated with CCA's BOP contracts. Contrary to CCA's representations regarding its retention rates, I understand that CCA should have known that the likelihood of renewing its BOP contracts was low. As such, I understand that plaintiff contends CCA should have disclosed to investors that it was unlikely to renew its BOP contracts or win any competitive bids. From an economic

See, for instance, Wells Fargo, "CXW: Initiating Coverage With A Market Perform Rating," December 19, 2014; Cannacord Genuity, "Positive on Prison REITs: We're dancin' to the Jailhouse Rock," July 13, 2015, at p. 23; Macquarie Capital (USA), "Federal Contract Escapes CXW," December 29, 2014.



Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2013, p. 17. See also Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2014, p. 17; Corrections Corporation of America Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2015, p. 20; CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2016, p. 23.

See, for instance, Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2013 Earnings Call, Aug 08, 2013, p. 8; Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2014 Earnings Call, May 08, 2014, p. 9; Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2014 Earnings Call, Aug 07, 2014, p. 5; Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2016 Earnings Call, May 05, 2016, p. 14.

perspective, this suggests that CCA's expected retention rate with respect to its BOP contracts would have been less than 50 percent.

28. By examining CCA's valuation multiple, one can infer the valuation parameters associated with its BOP contracts. Using this information, it is possible to derive what CCA's counterfactual multiple would have been if the company had disclosed counterfactual, rather than purported, retention rates for these contracts.

1) CCA's actual valuation parameters

29. Before the corrective disclosures, CCA's business was characterized by relatively stable cash flow expectations and dividend payments.²⁸ When a company has positive earnings, it is typical to apply a multiple to expected earnings, as analysts often did for CCA, in order to arrive at a value.²⁹ Embedded in such a multiple are the parameters that affect a stock's price, which, in instances where earnings are relatively stable, can reasonably be reflected in the widely-used Gordon growth model:

$$P/E = \frac{(1+g)}{(r-g)}$$

Where:

 $P = \text{Value}$
 $E = \text{Expected earnings/cash in the current period}$
 $r = \text{Cost of capital}$
 $g = \text{Expected growth rate}$

30. For earnings streams with expectations of customer or contract attrition, the above formula may be expanded to reflect the likelihood of losing customers or contracts from which earnings are generated (a form of negative growth), as well as adding new customers or contracts to replace those that are lost (a form of positive growth), in addition to growth associated with overall price levels.

$$P/E = \frac{(1+g)*(1-a+n)}{(r-((1+g)*(1-a+n)-1))}$$

Where:

P/E = Earnings multiple

r = Cost of capital

g =Expected growth rate

a =Expected attrition rate = (1 - c) * p

Where:

c =Retention rate for earnings subject to renewal

p = Proportion of earnings subject to renewal in each period

Pratt, S. P.; Niculita, A. V. (2008). Chapter 10. In Valuing a Business: The analysis and appraisal of closely held companies. New York: McGraw-Hill Education.



Analysts routinely applied multiples in order to estimate CCA's value during the Class Period, typically to CCA's FFO.

n =Expected replacement rate

- 31. Note that when the rate of replacement offsets the rate of attrition, such that n = a, then the above formula reduces to the Gordon growth model.
- 32. In the case of CCA, the above parameters are directly observable and may be used to understand how they affected the value of CCA's BOP relationship during the Class Period.
 - P/E: As set forth in **Exhibit 5**, CCA's actual multiple of its consensus FFO was approximately 10.7x prior to the Yates Memorandum. This multiple implies a combination of r and g based on the above Gordon growth model specification. While I estimate values for these parameters for the purpose of completeness, the results of this analysis are not sensitive to the combination of r and g used to derive the multiple.
 - g: As a mature steady-state company, CCA's steady-state expected growth rate would have been less than 3 percent, which is consistent with analysts' views and long-term inflation expectations.³⁰ For the purpose of this analysis, I assumed a growth rate of 1 percent.
 - r: The above FFO multiple and growth rate imply a cost of equity of approximately 10.4 percent, which is generally consistent with analysts' expectations.³¹
 - a: Attrition is the product of the likelihood that an earnings stream will not be renewed and the likelihood that the earnings stream is up for renewal in a given period, or (1-c)*p.
 - c: CCA repeatedly stated that its retention rate exceeded 90%, referring to historical performance.³² It is therefore reasonable that market participants would have expected a retention rate of at least 90% for CCA's BOP business.
 - p: At the time of the corrective disclosures, CCA's BOP contracts were up for renewal or rebid every two years. This suggests that market participants would have viewed 50 percent of CCA's BOP revenue as subject to renewal each year.³³

³³ CCA 2015 Form 10-K.



See, for example, estimated terminal growth rates of 1.0 percent, 3.0 percent, and 2.0 percent in Cannacord Genuity, "2Q Review: STFRC Renegotiation Ambiguity Limits Near-term Upside; Reiterate HOLD," August 4, 2016, at p.5, Cannacord Genuity, "1Q Review: Strong Print as Occupancy Gains, Diversification Drive Value; Reiterate HOLD," May 5, 2016 at p.2, and Cannacord Genuity, " Takeaways from Meetings with Management: Cash Flow Risk Lower than Perceived" March 21, 2016 at p.4, respectively. See also, 1.9 percent market yield on U.S. Treasury securities at 20-year constant maturity, as reported in the Federal Reserve's H.15 report on August 17, 2016 (https://www.federalreserve.gov/datadownload/Choose.aspx?rel=H15).

³¹ See, for example, Cannacord Genuity, "2Q Review: STFRC Renegotiation Ambiguity Limits Near-term Upside; Reiterate HOLD," August 4, 2016, at p. 5 and Cannacord Genuity, "1Q Review: Strong Print as Occupancy Gains, Diversification Drive Value; Reiterate HOLD," May 5, 2016 at p.6.

³² Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2013 Earnings Call, Aug 08, 2013, p. 8; Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2014 Earnings Call, May 08, 2014, p. 9; Corrections Corporation of America, Q2 2014 Earnings Call, Aug 07, 2014, p. 5; Corrections Corporation of America, Q1 2016 Earnings Call, May 05, 2016, p. 14.

- n: Although analysts sometimes incorporated earnings from specific contract wins/losses into earnings projections, they generally assumed that earnings remained stable.³⁴ Thus, by applying a growth assumption greater than zero to CCA's current earnings, market participants assumed that CCA would to be able to replace the 10 percent (or less) of contracts that it failed to renew.³⁵
- 33. These parameters are reflected in the following equation, which reflect CCA's multiple just prior to the corrective disclosures.³⁶

$$10.7x = \frac{(1 + 1.0\%) * (1 - 5.0\% + 5.0\%)}{(10.4\% - ((1 + 1.0\%) * (1 - 5.0\% + 5.0\%) - 1))}$$
Where:
$$r = 10.4\%$$

$$g = 1.0\%$$

$$a = (1 - c) * p = (1 - 90.0\%) * 50.0\% = 5.0\%$$

$$n = a = 5.0\%$$

34. The above specification reflects the value of a steady-state, low-growth business, such as CCA's BOP relationship. This value assumes a high earnings retention rate of 90%, with earnings losses of about 5% per year offset by replacements at the same rate.

2) Counterfactual valuation of CCA's BOP business

35. In the counterfactual, I understand that CCA would have been unable to contend that its likelihood of retaining its BOP contract was more that 50%. Replacing retention rate in the above equation with 50%, holding all other parameters the same, yields:³⁷

$$2.7x = \frac{(1 + 1.0\%) * (1 - 25.0\% + 5.0\%)}{(10.4\% - ((1 + 1.0\%) * (1 - 25.0\% + 5.0\%) - 1))}$$
Where:
$$r = 10.4\%$$

$$g = 1.0\%$$

$$a = (1 - c) * p = (1 - 50.0\%) * 50.0\% = 25.0\%$$

$$n = 5.0\%$$

36. The above specification would tend to overstate the valuation multiple associated with CCA's BOP contracts to the extent it holds CCA's percentage replacement rate constant when, in the counterfactual, market participants would not have expected replacement of the BOP contracts.

³⁵ Consistent with an assumed retention rate of at least 90 percent.

³⁷ As set forth in my reliance materials, these parameters can also be applied using an expanded discounted cash flow model, since it is equivalent to applying the Gordon growth model in this context.



³⁴ Exhibit 4.

As set forth in my reliance materials, these parameters can also be applied using an expanded discounted cash flow model, since it is equivalent to applying the Gordon growth model in this context.

- 37. Applying the multiple of 2.7x as derived in the equation above to FFO associated with the BOP contracts suggests that the counterfactual values for the BOP contracts reflected in CCA's counterfactual share price would have been approximately:
 - a. \$1.08 for Adams, McRae, and Eden (2.7 times \$0.40)
 - b. \$0.11 for Cibola (2.7 times \$0.04).



Exhibit 1 Nikki Bollinger Grae, et al. v. Corrections Corporation Of America, et al. **Summary of Abnormal Share Price Returns - Cibola Closure**

Event Windows (1)

	August 02, 2016	August 03, 2016	August 04, 2016				
Parameter Estimates:							
S&P 500 Total Return Index	(0.121)	(0.121)	(0.121)				
FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index	0.853***	0.853***	0.853***				
S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index	0.295**	0.295**	0.295**				
Constant (Intercept)	(0.001)	(0.001)	(0.001)				
Benchmark Log Returns:							
S&P 500 Total Return Index	(0.64%)	0.34%	0.05%				
FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index	(1.55%)	(0.58%)	(0.26%)				
S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index	(0.62%)	(0.79%)	(0.18%)				
Abnormal Return Calculation:							
Predicted Log Return for CCA	(1.51%)	(0.85%)	(0.36%)				
Actual Log Return for CCA	(2.11%)	(2.64%)	(6.39%)				
Abnormal Log Return for CCA	(0.61%)	(1.79%)	(6.03%)***				
Predicted Nominal Return for CCA	(1.49%)	(0.85%)	(0.35%)				
Actual Nominal Return for CCA	(2.09%)	(2.61%)	(6.19%)				
Abnormal Nominal Return for CCA	(0.60%)	(1.77%)	(5.85%)				
CCA Previous Day Closing Price (\$USD)	\$32.54	\$31.86	\$31.03				
Per Share Abnormal Return	(\$0.20)	(\$0.57)	(\$1.82)				

Sources and notes:

Share prices, adjusted share prices, and index data provided by Bloomberg, L.P.

Asterisks next to abnormal returns represent significance levels based on a two-tailed test: * p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.01.

(1) Estimation Window of July 31, 2015 to August 1, 2016.



Exhibit 2 Nikki Bollinger Grae, et al. v. Corrections Corporation Of America, et al. Summary of Abnormal Share Price Returns - Yates Memo

Event Window (1)

Parameter Estimates: S&P 500 Total Return Index FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index Constant (Intercept) Benchmark Log Returns: S&P 500 Total Return Index FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index Abnormal Return Calculation: Predicted Log Return for CCA Actual Log Return for CCA Abnormal Log Return for CCA Actual Nominal Return for CCA Actual Nominal Return for CCA Abnormal Nominal Return for CCA CCA Previous Day Closing Price (\$USD)	August 18, 2016	August 19, 2016	Total				
Parameter Estimates:							
S&P 500 Total Return Index	(0.142)	(0.142)					
FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index	0.860***	0.860***					
S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index	0.313***	0.313***					
Constant (Intercept)	(0.001)	(0.001)					
Benchmark Log Returns:							
S&P 500 Total Return Index	0.22%	(0.13%)					
FTSE NAREIT Equity REITS Index	(0.22%)	(0.66%)					
S&P Midcap 400 Commercial Services & Supplies Index	1.01%	0.47%					
Abnormal Return Calculation:							
Predicted Log Return for CCA	0.03%	(0.47%)					
Actual Log Return for CCA	(43.78%)	8.24%					
Abnormal Log Return for CCA	(43.80%)***	(8.72%)***	(35.09%)				
Predicted Nominal Return for CCA	0.03%	(0.47%)					
Actual Nominal Return for CCA	(35.45%)	8.59%					
Abnormal Nominal Return for CCA	(35.47%)	9.11%	(29.59%)				
CCA Previous Day Closing Price (\$USD)			\$27.22				
Per Share Abnormal Return			(\$8.06)				

Sources and notes:

Share prices, adjusted share prices, and index data provided by Bloomberg, L.P.

Asterisks next to abnormal returns represent significance levels based on a two-tailed test: * p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.01.

(1) Estimation Window of August 18, 2015 to August 17, 2016.



Exhibit 3
Nikki Bollinger Grae, et al. v. Corrections Corporation Of America, et al.
CCA Share Price Over the 90-day Period Following Corrective Disclosures

Calendar Day	Calendar Day Date		 \$ Δ Price (Daily)	% Δ Price (Daily)	_	\$ Δ Price (Cumulative)	% Δ Price (Cumulative)	Cumulative Average Price
1	8/19/2016	\$ 19.08	\$ _	0.0%	\$	-	0.0%	\$ 19.08
4	8/22/2016	•	\$ 0.28	1.5%	\$	0.28	1.5%	\$ 19.22
5	8/23/2016		\$ (0.96)	(5.0%)	\$	(0.68)	(3.6%)	\$ 18.95
6	8/24/2016		\$ (0.40)	(2.2%)	\$	(1.08)	(5.7%)	\$ 18.71
7	8/25/2016		\$ 0.14	0.8%	\$	(0.94)	(4.9%)	\$ 18.60
8	8/26/2016	\$ 17.51	\$ (0.63)	(3.5%)	\$	(1.57)	(8.2%)	\$ 18.42
11	8/29/2016	\$ 16.79	\$ (0.72)	(4.1%)	\$	(2.29)	(12.0%)	\$ 18.18
12	8/30/2016	\$ 16.02	\$ (0.77)	(4.6%)	\$	(3.06)	(16.0%)	\$ 17.91
13	8/31/2016	\$ 15.93	\$ (0.09)	(0.6%)	\$	(3.15)	(16.5%)	\$ 17.69
14	9/1/2016	\$ 15.64	\$ (0.29)	(1.8%)	\$	(3.44)	(18.0%)	\$ 17.49
15	9/2/2016	\$ 16.05	\$ 0.41	2.6%	\$	(3.03)	(15.9%)	\$ 17.36
19	9/6/2016	\$ 16.05	\$ -	0.0%	\$	(3.03)	(15.9%)	\$ 17.25
20	9/7/2016	\$ 16.01	\$ (0.04)	(0.2%)	\$	(3.07)	(16.1%)	\$ 17.15
21	9/8/2016	\$ 16.07	\$ 0.06	0.4%	\$	(3.01)	(15.8%)	\$ 17.08
22	9/9/2016	\$ 15.49	\$ (0.58)	(3.6%)	\$	(3.59)	(18.8%)	\$ 16.97
25	9/12/2016	\$ 15.53	\$ 0.04	0.3%	\$	(3.55)	(18.6%)	\$ 16.88
26	9/13/2016	\$ 15.36	\$ (0.17)	(1.1%)	\$	(3.72)	(19.5%)	\$ 16.79
27	9/14/2016	\$ 16.02	\$ 0.66	4.3%	\$	(3.06)	(16.0%)	\$ 16.75
28	9/15/2016	\$ 16.20	\$ 0.18	1.1%	\$	(2.88)	(15.1%)	\$ 16.72
29	9/16/2016	\$ 16.12	\$ (0.08)	(0.5%)	\$	(2.96)	(15.5%)	\$ 16.69
32	9/19/2016	\$ 16.60	\$ 0.48	3.0%	\$	(2.48)	(13.0%)	\$ 16.68
33	9/20/2016	\$ 15.80	\$ (0.80)	(4.8%)	\$	(3.28)	(17.2%)	\$ 16.64
34	9/21/2016	\$ 15.70	\$ (0.10)	(0.6%)	\$	(3.38)	(17.7%)	\$ 16.60
35	9/22/2016	\$ 16.34	\$ 0.64	4.1%	\$	(2.74)	(14.4%)	\$ 16.59
36	9/23/2016	\$ 15.90	\$ (0.44)	(2.7%)	\$	(3.18)	(16.7%)	\$ 16.56
39	9/26/2016	\$ 15.96	\$ 0.06	0.4%	\$	(3.12)	(16.4%)	\$ 16.54
40	9/27/2016	\$ 14.78	\$ (1.18)	(7.4%)	\$	(4.30)	(22.5%)	\$ 16.48
41	9/28/2016	\$ 14.60	\$ (0.18)	(1.2%)	\$	(4.48)	(23.5%)	\$ 16.41
42	9/29/2016	\$ 13.82	\$ (0.78)	(5.3%)	\$	(5.26)	(27.6%)	\$ 16.32
43	9/30/2016	\$ 13.87	\$ 0.05	0.4%	\$	(5.21)	(27.3%)	\$ 16.24
46	10/3/2016	\$ 14.08	\$ 0.21	1.5%	\$	(5.00)	(26.2%)	\$ 16.17
47	10/4/2016	\$ 14.00	\$ (0.08)	(0.6%)	\$	(5.08)	(26.6%)	\$ 16.10
48	10/5/2016	\$ 13.76	\$ (0.24)	(1.7%)	\$	(5.32)	(27.9%)	\$ 16.03
49	10/6/2016	\$ 13.67	\$ (0.09)	(0.7%)	\$	(5.41)	(28.4%)	\$ 15.96
50	10/7/2016	\$ 13.45	\$ (0.22)	(1.6%)	\$	(5.63)	(29.5%)	\$ 15.89
53	10/10/2016	\$ 13.45	\$ -	0.0%	\$	(5.63)	(29.5%)	\$ 15.82
54	10/11/2016	\$ 13.40	\$ (0.05)	(0.4%)	\$	(5.68)	(29.8%)	\$ 15.76
55	10/12/2016	\$ 14.36	\$ 0.96	7.2%	\$	(4.72)	(24.7%)	\$ 15.72
56	10/13/2016	\$ 14.23	\$ (0.13)	(0.9%)	\$	(4.85)	(25.4%)	\$ 15.68
57	10/14/2016	\$ 14.22	\$ (0.01)	(0.1%)	\$	(4.86)	(25.5%)	\$ 15.64
60	10/17/2016	\$ 14.35	\$ 0.13	0.9%	\$	(4.73)	(24.8%)	\$ 15.61
61	10/18/2016	\$ 14.55	\$ 0.20	1.4%	\$	(4.53)	(23.7%)	\$ 15.59



Exhibit 3 Nikki Bollinger Grae, et al. v. Corrections Corporation Of America, et al. **CCA Share Price Over the 90-day Period Following Corrective Disclosures**

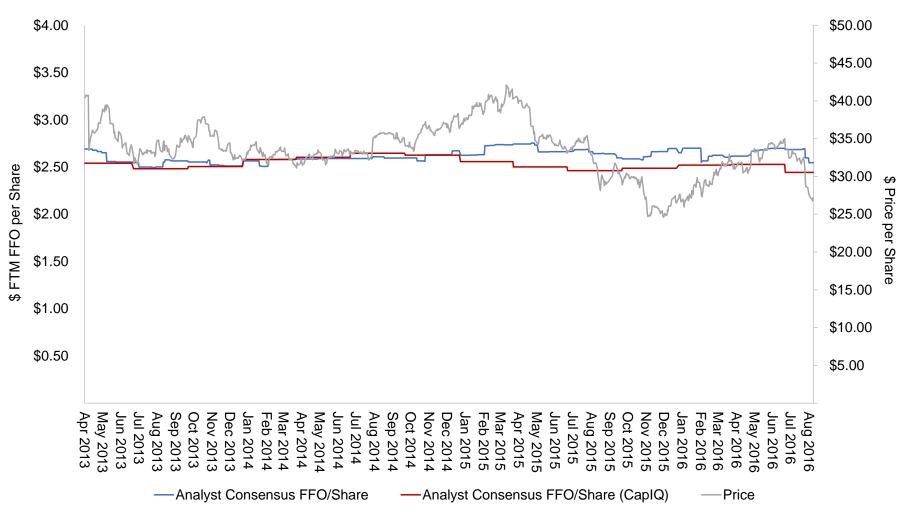
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62	10/19/2016	\$ 14.06	\$	(0.49)	(3.4%)	\$ (5.02)	(26.3%)	\$	15.55
63	10/20/2016	\$ 13.70	\$	(0.36)	(2.6%)	\$ (5.38)	(28.2%)	\$	15.51
64	10/21/2016	\$ 13.99	\$	0.29	2.1%	\$ (5.09)	(26.7%)	\$	15.48
67	10/24/2016	\$ 13.72	\$	(0.27)	(1.9%)	\$ (5.36)	(28.1%)	\$	15.44
68	10/25/2016	\$ 13.76	\$	0.04	0.3%	\$ (5.32)	(27.9%)	\$	15.40
69	10/26/2016	\$ 13.63	\$	(0.13)	(0.9%)	\$ (5.45)	(28.6%)	\$	15.37
70	10/27/2016	\$ 13.35	\$	(0.28)	(2.1%)	\$ (5.73)	(30.0%)	\$	15.32
71	10/28/2016	\$ 13.18	\$	(0.17)	(1.3%)	\$ (5.90)	(30.9%)	\$	15.28
74	10/31/2016	\$ 14.45	\$	1.27	9.6%	\$ (4.63)	(24.3%)	\$	15.26
75	11/1/2016	\$ 14.06	\$	(0.39)	(2.7%)	\$ (5.02)	(26.3%)	\$	15.24
76	11/2/2016	\$ 13.88	\$	(0.18)	(1.3%)	\$ (5.20)	(27.3%)	\$	15.22
77	11/3/2016	\$ 14.15	\$	0.27	1.9%	\$ (4.93)	(25.8%)	\$	15.20
78	11/4/2016	\$ 14.56	\$	0.41	2.9%	\$ (4.52)	(23.7%)	\$	15.18
81	11/7/2016	\$ 14.36	\$	(0.20)	(1.4%)	\$ (4.72)	(24.7%)	\$	15.17
82	11/8/2016	\$ 14.19	\$	(0.17)	(1.2%)	\$ (4.89)	(25.6%)	\$	15.15
83	11/9/2016	\$ 20.31	\$	6.12	43.1%	\$ 1.23	6.4%	\$	15.24
84	11/10/2016	\$ 19.81	\$	(0.50)	(2.5%)	\$ 0.73	3.8%	\$	15.32
85	11/11/2016	\$ 19.44	\$	(0.37)	(1.9%)	\$ 0.36	1.9%	\$	15.39
88	11/14/2016	\$ 20.80	\$	1.36	7.0%	\$ 1.72	9.0%	\$	15.48
89	11/15/2016	\$ 20.42	\$	(0.38)	(1.8%)	\$ 1.34	7.0%	\$	15.56
90	11/16/2016	\$ 20.65	\$	0.23	1.1%	\$ 1.57	8.2%	\$	15.64

Sources and notes:

CCA share prices provided by Bloomberg, L.P.



Exhibit 4 Nikki Bollinger Grae, et al. v. Corrections Corporation Of America, et al. **CCA Consensus FTM FFO per Share**



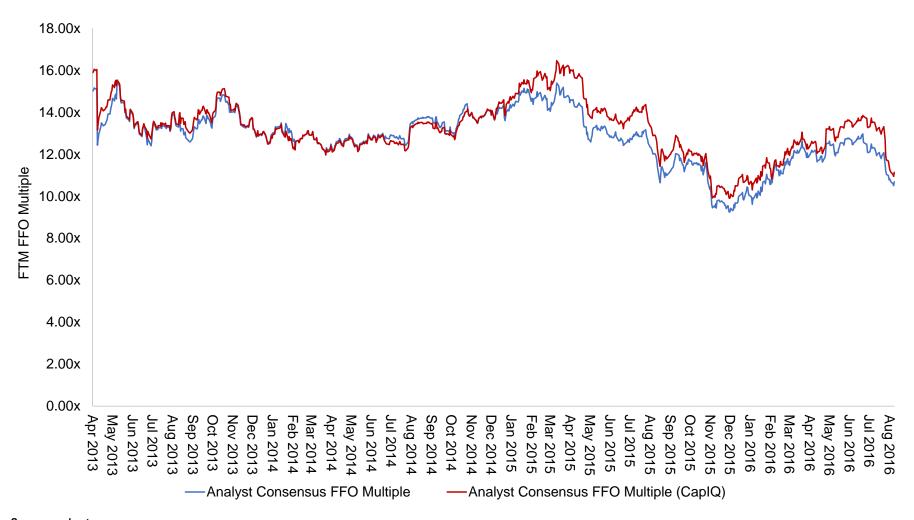
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Consensus FTM FFO per Share calculated using analyst estimate data from analyst reports listed in Appendix B.



Exhibit 5 Nikki Bollinger Grae, et al. v. Corrections Corporation Of America, et al. CCA Consensus FTM FFO Multiple



Sources and notes:

Consensus FTM FFO Multiple calculated using analyst estimate data from analyst reports listed in Appendix B.



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Honorable Aleta A. Trauger

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I. Introduction and Summary of Opinions

- 1. I have been retained by Robbins Geller Rudman & Dowd LLP in the above-styled case to provide opinions on share price inflation arising from Defendants' alleged scheme to defraud investors and make materially false and misleading statements and omissions regarding CCA's business and operations. I previously submitted a report in this matter dated August 7, 2020 (the "Dalrymple Report") in which I measured the inflation in CCA's stock price caused by the materialization of the allegedly concealed risks between February 27, 2012 and August 17, 2016 (the "Class Period").²
- 2. Since issuing the Dalrymple Report, I have been asked to review and analyze the opinions of Lucy P. Allen provided in her expert report dated August 7, 2020 ("Allen Report"). In the Allen Report, Ms. Allen sets forth her opinion that there was "no loss causation and no damages" associated with the alleged misrepresentations and omissions, or the corrective disclosures that plaintiff contends were in the zone of the risk concealed by Defendants' fraud.³
- 3. In my opinion, Ms. Allen's opinions are disjoined from plaintiff's theory of liability in this matter and are therefore irrelevant to the assessment of share price inflation and damages arising from Defendants' alleged fraud. In addition, it is my opinion that the Allen Report suffers from multiple other flaws, which render Ms. Allen's opinions unreliable. Specifically, Ms. Allen:
 - a. ignores the theory of liability upheld by the Court in her analysis of share price inflation;
 - b. attributes CCA's price decline following the Yates Memorandum to a "political shift" that she erroneously concludes is unrelated to the alleged contraventions;
 - c. bases her opinions on irrelevant events after the corrective disclosures that have no bearing on share price inflation attributable to Defendants' alleged fraud;
 - d. relies on improper comparisons of CCA and GEO share price movements; and

³ Allen Report, ¶¶ 3-5.



Defendant Corrections Corporation of America, commonly abbreviated "CCA," trades on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol "CXW." (See "The CCA Story: Our Company History," available at http://www.correctionscorp.com/our-history.) In October 2016, Corrections Corporation of America announced that it was rebranding its corporate enterprise as "CoreCivic." (See press release, "Corrections Corporation of America Rebrands as CoreCivic," October 28, 2016). For the purposes of this report, unless otherwise noted, CCA, CXW, Corrections Corporation of America and CoreCivic are used interchangeably.

² Defined terms in this report have the same meanings as in the Dalrymple Report unless otherwise noted.

- e. improperly finds that CCA's loss of the Cibola contract had no effect on its share price.
- 4. My credentials and qualifications are set forth in the Dalrymple Report. A list of additional materials I have considered in this matter is set forth in **Rebuttal Appendix B** to this report as well as in the citations to the text presented in this report.
- 5. I will review, evaluate, and analyze additional data, facts, or information as it becomes available. I reserve the right to amend or supplement my opinions based upon further information learned, produced, or provided to me. The analyses and opinions described herein may, therefore, change based upon additional information that becomes available or other developments that occur.

II. Overview of the Allen Report

6. According to Ms. Allen, she was instructed "to analyze Plaintiffs' claim of loss causation and damages to investors" who purchased shares of CCA stock during the Class Period.⁴ Ms. Allen generally critiques what she characterizes as the plaintiff's theory of loss causation, which she summarizes in her findings as follows:

I find that there is no loss causation and no damages from the alleged misrepresentations. Plaintiffs allege that misrepresentations about the quality and cost effectiveness of CoreCivic's facilities inflated the Company's stock price, and that investors in CoreCivic's stock suffered economic losses and damages when the "truth" about the alleged misrepresentations was revealed to the market. However, the very information regarding "operational shortcomings" at CoreCivic's BOP facilities, including purported "quality"-related "deficiencies," that Plaintiffs allege were concealed by the alleged fraud were released on a number of occasions both prior to and during the Class Period to *no* statistically significant price reaction.⁵

- 7. Ms. Allen generally opines that CCA's stock did not have statistically significant price responses to news and information regarding the quality and safety of CCA's private prisons.⁶ She cites a number of news reports, disturbances in CCA facilities, and the release of the OIG Review, opining that the lack of statistically significant market reactions to these events and information releases "directly contradicts Plaintiffs' claim of loss causation and damages."⁷
- 8. Ms. Allen also opines that her understanding of plaintiff's theory of loss causation and damages is inconsistent with the lack of a statistically significant price reaction following the release of the OIG Review, which she states allegedly revealed the truth about certain cost and quality deficiencies in private prisons.⁸ Ms. Allen also opines that plaintiff's arguments about the OIG Review have been inconsistent.

⁸ Allen Report, Section VII.B.1 and ¶ 30.



⁴ Allen Report, ¶ 1.

⁵ Allen Report, ¶ 3 (emphasis in original)

⁶ Allen Report, Section VII.B.

 $^{^7}$ Allen Report, Section VII.B and \P 3.

- 9. Ms. Allen further opines that there is not loss causation and no damages associated with the Yates Memorandum and the Cibola Contract Loss.⁹
 - a. Yates Memorandum: Ms. Allen argues that the Yates Memorandum did not reveal new information about CCA's quality or cost savings, beyond the information that had been previously revealed in the OIG Review. She opines that the Yates Memorandum did not change analysts' perceptions of CCA quality or cost savings in the subsequent months after its release. Ms. Allen states that a "shift in policy driven by politics... (as opposed to any new information regarding the quality, performance and cost savings of CoreCivic's facilities) was the cause of the market reaction to the Yates Memo." She further opines that risk associated with changes in the political environment was clearly conveyed to the market by CCA. According to Ms. Allen, the recovery of CoreCivic's stock price following the presidential election demonstrates that a shift driven by politics, rather than CCA's misrepresentations, is responsible for the stock price loss.
 - b. <u>Cibola Contract Loss</u>: According to Ms. Allen, the loss of the Cibola contract was reported in New Mexico press before August 3, 2016 and had no price impact. It was not new information on August 3, so "any price decline following August 3" cannot be due to the loss of the Cibola contract.¹³ She contends that the significant price reaction on August 4, 2020 was attributable to the news that the STFRC contract was being renegotiated, which was more financially significant than the Cibola Contract Loss, and which was the main subject of analyst commentary following CCA's second quarter 2016 earnings announcement.¹⁴
- 10. Ms. Allen also compares the changes in GEO's and CCA's stock price loss immediately following the Yates Memorandum, observing that the two stocks experienced a similar price decline.¹⁵

III. Opinions on the Allen Report

A. Ms. Allen Ignores Plaintiff's Theory of Liability Upheld by the Court

11. Ms. Allen devotes significant portions of her report to a discussion of her views and representations of plaintiff's allegations. Ms. Allen contends that the risks concealed by CCA's alleged fraud "were released on a number of occasions" and reiterates that plaintiff previously alleged that the

¹⁵ Allen Report, ¶¶ 75-76.



⁹ Allen Report, Section VII.C.

¹⁰ Allen Report, ¶¶ 50, 59-61.

¹¹ Allen Report, ¶¶ 62-68.

¹² Allen Report, ¶¶ 69-74.

¹³ Allen Report, ¶¶ 77-81.

¹⁴ Allen Report, ¶¶ 82-83.

OIG Review conveyed new information to the market and served as a corrective disclosure. 16 She also notes that other events were not associated with stock price declines, including: "(i) news of riots at CoreCivic's facilities, (ii) the release of investigative reports" regarding CoreCivic's facilities and "(iii) news that CoreCivic had received a "Cure Notice" from the BOP related to medical care at Cibola." Ms. Allen characterizes these events as additional examples of "disclosures that according to the Complaint were 'consistent' with the alleged corrective disclosures, and indicative of 'quality'-related 'deficiencies' at CoreCivic's facilities."17

Ms. Allen's opinions hinge on her characterizations of the allegations, which she generally understands to be CCA's alleged concealment of issues related to quality, performance, and cost-savings. 18 Her report, however, ignores the key elements of plaintiff's claims upheld by the Court, which as I explain in the Dalrymple Report are that "CCA materially misrepresented that its correctional services offered sufficient quality and cost savings that would result in government entities continuing to renew its contracts."19 The Court described plaintiff's claims as "a single, central theory of liability: that CoreCivic and its executives falsely touted its services as offering cost savings to governments while delivering an acceptable level of quality-defined, in some instances, in relation to compliance with particular standards—such that CoreCivic was an attractive option for continued and future government contracts." 20 The Court further described plaintiff's theory of liability, writing that:

...CoreCivic and its executives had, for years, provided the public with an image of CoreCivic's contract performance that sharply diverged from the truth apparent behind the scenes. CoreCivic did not claim to be perfect, but it did publicly claim to be providing services that were, at least generally, in line with client expectations...At some point, DOJ leadership began to seriously question whether its continued reliance on private prison contractors, such as CoreCivic, should continue. The Yates Memorandum was the result.²¹

Rather than evaluating the impact of the materialization of the risk that CCA's BOP business 13. would be lost as a result of issues related to quality, performance, and cost-savings, Ms. Allen attempts to assess whether these issues affected CCA's share price before market participants became of aware of the deterioration of CCA's relationship with the BOP, and any link between these issues and CCA's ability to renew BOP contracts. While the Allen Report attempts to support the conclusion that investors did not react to allegations of poor quality in CCA facilities during the Class Period in the abstract, that is not plaintiff's claim. Instead, plaintiff argues that CCA concealed that these incidents had caused its

Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 3 (emphasis added). See also pp. 6-9.



Allen Report, ¶ 3; ¶¶ 31-36. Ms. Allen repeatedly refers to the 2017 Consolidated Complaint in reference to the OIG Review, ignoring subsequent filings and Court decisions regarding the extent to which various events represent corrective disclosures. See Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, pp. 32-33 and fn. 9 ("the court has concluded that the OIG Report included substantive deficiencies that undermined its ability to be corrective with regard to the entire Class Period.")

¹⁷ Allen Report, ¶ 3.

¹⁸ Allen Report, ¶ 17.

¹⁹ Dalrymple Report, ¶ 17. Emphasis added.

²⁰ Memorandum dated December 18, 2017, pp. 25-26.

relationship with the BOP to deteriorate, causing it to lose contracts and putting its business at risk.²² Because she misconstrues the allegations put forward by the plaintiff and upheld by the Court, Ms. Allen fails to address any measure of inflation that is relevant to this case.

- Ms. Allen relies on the same flawed arguments that she made in her class certification reports 14. about press coverage and public information, which do not address the impact of the allegedly concealed information.²³ News reports and other public information that alleged quality and cost-savings issues, but which did not link these issues to problems with CCA's BOP relationship, are not relevant to assessing plaintiffs' claims.24 Similarly, statistical tests of share price reactions to allegedly false statements and discussions of CCA's performance and quality are inapplicable since they are not grounded in a plausible economic hypothesis based on facts or allegations in the case. Said differently, there is no ex ante reason that one would expect a significant share price reaction to information that CCA failed to disclose.²⁵
- For the same reasons, Ms. Allen's discussion of the OIG Review is inapt. Furthermore, Ms. Allen ignores the Court's finding that "due to limitations on its date range, subject matter, and methodology," the OIG Review failed to "bridge the gap between CoreCivic's representations and the truth."26 Plaintiff contends that the information in the OIG Review did not fully reveal the truth about the concealed risks that the company faced as a result of its deteriorating relationship with the BOP, and the Court generally agreed.²⁷
- Ms. Allen also disregards the Court's discussion in support of the Yates Memorandum as a corrective disclosure. As the Court stated:

Amalgamated argues...that the severity of the drop [following the Yates Memorandum] did not need to be as great as it was. Rather, the steepness of the decline was, at least in part, attributable to the fact that CoreCivic and its executives had, for years, provided the public with an image of CoreCivic's contract performance that sharply diverged from the truth apparent behind the scenes. CoreCivic did not claim to be perfect, but it did publicly claim to be providing services that were, at least generally, in line with client expectations. Meanwhile, the feedback that CoreCivic was actually receiving from the BOP painted a different picture. The BOP routinely sent "Notices of Concern" and other forms of notification informing CoreCivic of shortcomings at specific facilities. Among the most commonly addressed issues were CoreCivic's chronically inadequate staffing and its failure to provide sufficient medical services to its inmates. As the Class Period progressed, warnings to CoreCivic that it was falling short of expectations piled up. At some point, DOJ

Plaintiff-Respondent's Opposition to Petition for Permission to Appeal Class Certification Order Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(f), dated April 19, 2019, pp. 4-5, 16-18; Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 6-7.



²² Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 3.

²³ Expert Report of Lucy P. Allen dated July 16, 2018, at § VII.C.

²⁴ Ms. Allen points to analyst commentary which is generally supportive of the general level of quality and cost savings (Allen Report, ¶¶ 41-42), ignoring that this only supports the notion that CCA's misrepresentations were sufficiently convincing to persuade analysts that CCA quality was sufficient and that cost savings were real.

Ms. Allen ignores the context of the information she cites and how it relates to plaintiff's allegations. For instance, that the ACLU raised concerns over private prisons is not necessarily something that would be unexpected by market participants; i.e. it is not a surprise that "[t]he release of investigative reports by government agencies and third-party organizations into conditions at CoreCivic's facilities... did not cause a decline in the Company's stock price" (Allen Report, p. 24), as there is no evidence that market participants linked the ACLU's concerns to a deterioration in CCA's relationships and business.

Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, pp. 32-33 and fn. 9.

leadership began to seriously question whether its continued reliance on private prison contractors, such as CoreCivic, should continue. The Yates Memorandum was the result.²⁸

17. Nevertheless, Ms. Allen contends that "[t]here is no loss causation and no damages associated with the Yates Memo" based on her assertion that it "did not provide the market with any new and/or corrective information about the quality or cost-effectiveness of CoreCivic's facilities."²⁹ By focusing on whether the Yates Memorandum revealed new information about CCA's quality and cost effectiveness, Ms. Allen misses the point. The Yates Memorandum allegedly revealed to the market the link between CCA's quality issues and its ability to retain the BOP business, which is the core of plaintiff's allegations upheld by the Court.

Ms. Allen's Attribution of CCA's Stock Price Decline Following the Yates Memorandum to a В. Political Shift Is Irrelevant and Does Not Support her Conclusions

- Ms. Allen attempts to explain away CCA's stock price decline following the Yates Memorandum as the result of a "shift in policy driven by politics...(as opposed to any new information regarding the quality, performance and cost savings of CoreCivic's facilities)."30 She cites various analyst reports which contend that the Yates Memorandum was "politically motivated" or the product of a "political shift,"31 and argues that "changes in the political environment and associated risk to CoreCivic's business, rather than the alleged misrepresentations, caused the market reaction to the Yates Memo."32
- Again, Ms. Allen ignores the relevant allegations and the Court's previous conclusions in the case.³³ As the Court articulated at the class certification stage:

CoreCivic argues that the Yates Memorandum instead merely revealed a "political decision" to move away from relying on private prisons. That argument, though, hinges on the mistaken assumption that the "politics" of the federal government's private prison use are somehow separable from issues such as whether CoreCivic's prisons were safe for inmates, whether inmates were receiving adequate medical care, whether BOP considered its money to be well spent, and whether CoreCivic was able to meet the BOP's basic quality expectations. Nothing in the record, however, supports this vision of politics as an external

The "materialization of risk" theory of demonstrating loss causation flows from the common sense assumption that concealed risks are sometimes revealed by events, not admissions. For example, if a company makes a fortune selling what it claims to be unbreakable widgets, its value will go down if it admits that the widgets are, in fact, breakable—but its value will also go down if it keeps silent but the widgets just start breaking and the public finds out about it. In either hypothetical, the value of the company has decreased because the public has learned the same truth. In either hypothetical, an unsuspecting shareholder would have been harmed by the same lie. To claim that only the hypothetical involving an admission represents an instance of loss causation by fraud would make little sense. (Memorandum dated January 18, 2019, pp. 12-13 (emphasis in original)).



Memorandum dated March 26, 2019, p. 3 (emphasis added).

Allen Report, VII(C) and VII(C)(1).

³⁰ Allen Report, ¶¶ 50, 59-61.

³¹ Allen Report, ¶¶ 34, 59-61.

Allen Report, ¶ 4 (emphasis added).

Ms. Allen's approach appears to be grounded in the flawed reasoning that the Yates Memorandum did not disclose precisely the same information allegedly withheld by Defendants (see, for instance, Allen Report, Exhibit 1). But as the Court explained:

force unrelated to the BOP's quality concerns. Indeed, the Yates Memorandum's own account of the DOJ's decision placed those concerns front and center.34

20. In addition, the Court has addressed Ms. Allen's assertion that analysts viewed the Yates Memorandum to be political, stating:

In her Report, Allen cites market analysts who characterized the BOP's proposed shift away from private prisons as "political," which CoreCivic suggests is evidence that the decision embodied by the Yates Memorandum was unrelated to quality or value of services. A decision's being, in some sense, "political," however, is not mutually exclusive with its being related to the quality concerns that Amalgamated has raised. To the contrary, the record suggests that, insofar as the Yates Memorandum can be said to reflect a political decision, that political decision was driven by precisely the deficiencies that Amalgamated has highlighted. When a company chooses, like CoreCivic has, to enter into a line of business that requires it to rely on government customers, then there is no neatly separating its client relationships from the underlying politics. Perhaps the Yates Memorandum did reflect a political decision—the political decision to not keep using such low-quality services.35

- Ms. Allen cites a number of quotations from analysts' commentaries, purporting that analysts did not change their perceptions of the quality or cost effectiveness of private prisons in the months following the Yates Memorandum.³⁶ She fails to recognize, however, that analysts significantly altered their perceptions of risk and earnings expectations after the Yates Memorandum. The same analysts whose opinions Ms. Allen claims were unchanged by the Yates Memorandum significantly reduced CCA's price targets, FFO expectations and price multiples following the Yates Memorandum, notwithstanding their commentary, as I discuss in the Dalrymple Report.³⁷ These revisions reflected the broad market expectation of lower earnings and previously undisclosed risks to CCA's business after the Yates Memorandum.³⁸ Ms. Allen makes no attempt to reconcile analysts' changes in expectations and price targets to the commentary she selects from their reports.
- 22. Ms. Allen presents no reason for assuming that analysts' commentary would be reflective of the true state of the BOP relationship or that it is indicative of the true state of CCA's operations. More generally, Ms. Allen's characterization of the Yates Memorandum as "political" and her implication that the Yates Memorandum fell outside the zone of the risk allegedly concealed by Defendants is not an economic opinion; rather, it is commentary on a finding that I understand is for the trier-of-fact.³⁹

Ms. Allen puts forward other non-economic arguments regarding the facts of the case, claiming "CoreCivic warned that political opposition to privatized corrections and changes in government policy affecting incarceration rates were risks that could impact the Company's business." (Allen Report, ¶ 62). She cites language from CCA 10-Ks that she asserts disclose the risk of resistance to private prisons and changes in government policies that lowered incarceration rates (¶¶ 62-64) as well as CCA's declining housed federal prisoner population (¶¶ 65-66). Ms. Allen also cites to analysts' commentary noting that CCA's business was susceptible to public policy changes (¶¶ 67-68). Ms. Allen does not appear to have performed any analysis in support of these assertions.



³⁴ Memorandum dated January 18, 2019, p. 14 (citations omitted; emphasis added).

³⁵ Memorandum dated January 18, 2019, p. 14 (citations omitted; emphasis added).

³⁶ Allen Report, ¶¶ 50, 52-58.

³⁷ Dalrymple Report, Tables 3 and 4.

Dalrymple Report, ¶¶ 70-78.

23. Whether or not analysts asserted that the Yates Memorandum was politically motivated is beside the point. For investors' purposes, the Yates Memorandum revealed the DOJ had assessed the quality of private prisons' quality, services, and cost savings, and concluded that "the [BOP] should either decline to renew [each private prison] contract or substantially reduce its scope in a manner consistent with law and the overall decline of the Bureau's inmate population."⁴⁰ The market responded by reassessing CCA's value in light of this revelation, resulting in a decline in CCA's stock price to reflect this information.⁴¹ Neither Ms. Allen's nor analysts' characterization of the Yates Memorandum as "political" suggests that this decision was unrelated to, or unexpected in light of, the deficiencies and facts that Defendants allegedly concealed.

C. Ms. Allen's Discussion of Events After the Yates Memorandum is Inapt

- 24. Ms. Allen claims "[t]he recovery in CoreCivic's stock price after the end of the Class Period is inconsistent with plaintiff's claim of loss causation and damages." According to Ms. Allen, CCA's recovery supports her contention that "changes in the political environment and associated risk to CoreCivic's business, rather than the alleged misrepresentations, caused the market to react to the Yates Memo."
- 25. To link the share price recovery with changes in the "political environment and associated risk to CoreCivic's business," Ms. Allen characterizes analyst reports describing the results of the 2016 presidential election as reflecting reduced "risk and uncertainty around the renewal of CoreCivic's contracts with the federal government."⁴⁴ Ms. Allen also claims that "the fact that CoreCivic's BOP facilities continued to be contracted by government agencies, including the BOP, after the Class Period" supports her contentions.⁴⁵ Ms. Allen cites the BOP's renewal of CCA's contracts at its Adams and McRae facilities to purportedly support her claims.⁴⁶
- 26. Ms. Allen's discussion of events after the corrective disclosures are irrelevant and unrelated to plaintiff's allegations. Ms. Allen relies on arbitrary dates (*e.g.* the confirmation of Jeff Sessions as Attorney General) to evaluate CCA's share price recovery.⁴⁷ By Ms. Allen's standards, any stock price change months or years following a corrective disclosure could be used as evidence against loss causation.
- 27. That CCA's economic circumstances may have changed nearly three months after the Yates Memorandum does not demonstrate that the information revealed about CCA's BOP relationship did

Allen Report, ¶ 70. Ms. Allen even claims in her own Class Certification Report that a "structural break" was observed between the date of the Yates Memorandum and the confirmation of Sessions, indicating the relationship between CCA's stock price and market and industry changed in late 2016. See Expert Report of Lucy P. Allen dated July 16, 2018, ¶ 86.



⁴⁰ Yates Memorandum.

⁴¹ Dalrymple Report, ¶¶ 70-78.

⁴² Allen Report, ¶ 69.

⁴³ Allen Report, ¶ 69.

⁴⁴ Allen Report, ¶¶ 69, 72-73.

⁴⁵ Allen Report, ¶ 74.

⁴⁶ Allen Report, ¶ 74.

not reduce the value of the company's stock at the time. The subsequent events that Ms. Allen identifies (e.g. the presidential election) are irrelevant to the share price inflation that was concealed prior to the corrective disclosures. What caused CCA's share price to decline was the materialization of the previously concealed risk that CCA would lose its BOP business based on the information available to market participants at the time. Ms. Allen's attempt to refute loss causation by examining CCA's share price at different points in time under different sets of market conditions and information is inapt.

- 28. Even if CCA's supposed reversal of fortunes with the BOP were relevant, which it is not, Ms. Allen makes no attempt to separate any positive impact from the 2016 election on CCA's relationship with the BOP from the improvement in its share price related to expected new future business from ICE and other customers. As analysts explained after the 2016 election:
 - a. "[W]e believe the opportunity set created by the new administration will drive long-term value for CXW shareholders... Trump has been vocal when it comes to immigration policy, vowing to ramp up border security and detain more illegals for longer, resulting in a need for more capacity."⁴⁸
 - b. "[W]e expect new contracts with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), state customers and increasing momentum for new real estate-only solutions."⁴⁹
 - c. "Our valuation range increases to \$30-\$34 from \$20-\$24 based on a higher 13.0-14.0x EV-EBITDA multiple (more than one standard deviation above historical averages), given increased expectations for potential new ICE contract wins as a result of President Trump's strict border initiatives, or 13.0-15.0x 2017E FFO/sh." 50
 - d. "We are encouraged by increasing ICE populations spurring guidance higher and anticipate new contract signing opportunities in 2017 driving FFO growth of 20% in 2018...Catalysts: (1) new contracts generally utilizing 9 idle facilities totaling 8,700 beds; (2) lease of the idle OK facility by Oklahoma; (3) new ICE contract for an idle facility in CO; (4) KY contracting for 1-3 idle facilities; (4) greater understanding of how stricter border enforcement by ICE could fuel population growth across all 3 federal customers; and (5) potential dividend increases in 2018."51
- 29. Ms. Allen makes no attempt to disentangle these and other revisions to expectations from those that she improperly claims are related to the supposed reversal of CCA's prospects with the BOP after the corrective disclosures (which actually did not occur, as I discuss in the next section).

SunTrust, "Utilizing Idle Beds to Fuel Rising Estimates; Increasing PT," February 9, 2017.



⁴⁸ Canacord Genuity, "Raising GEO and CXW price targets on lower risk post-election," November 11, 2016.

⁴⁹ SunTrust, "Sales Momentum Building; Raising Estimates and PT," December 15, 2016.

Wells Fargo, "CXW: Initiating 2018 Est & Updating Val Range Post Q4 Earnings," February 21, 2017.

D. Ms. Allen's Comparison of CCA to GEO is Improper and Further Demonstrates the Impact of the Yates Memorandum on CCA

- 30. Ms. Allen claims "controlling for the movements in GEO's stock yields no reaction in CoreCivic's stock price following the Yates Memo."52 Ms. Allen attempts to support this claim by noting that the day of the Yates Memorandum, GEO's stock price declined by 39.6 percent, while CoreCivic's declined by 35.5 percent.53
- From these statements, Ms. Allen seems to suggest that, if she were to include GEO in an 31. event study or other analysis of CCA's abnormal return, the extent of CCA's share price decline related to the allegations would somehow be eliminated or mitigated. Ms. Allen, however, does not actually perform any corresponding analysis beyond the comparison of CCA and GEO's returns on August 18, 2016. She also does not explain why GEO's price return in reaction to the Yates Memorandum is informative beyond a casual reference to GEO as CCA's "only publicly-traded competitor." 54
- If Ms. Allen had expanded her examination by even one day to account for additional impact of the Yates Memorandum reflected in CCA's share price on August 19, 2016, she would have found that GEO's two-day return was negative 26.7 percent, compared to CCA's two-day return of negative 29.9 percent. In other words, with a one-day window, GEO's percentage stock drop was about 4 percentage points greater than CCA's; with a two-day window, GEO's percentage drop was about 3 percentage points less than CCA's, a 7 percentage point fluctuation resulting from extending the observation period by one day. While I do not believe such a comparison is appropriate, it demonstrates that Ms. Allen's one-day comparison is superficial and uninformative.
- Further, had Ms. Allen compared the course of GEO's BOP business to CCA's, she would have found that, after the Yates Memorandum, CCA continued to lose BOP contracts while GEO gained new ones.
 - a. On April 30, 2017, CCA's contract with the BOP at the 1,422-bed Eden Detention Center expired and was not renewed.55
 - b. On May 1, 2019, the BOP announced that it was not renewing CCA's contract at the 2,322-bed Adams County Correction Center.56

CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2019, p. 66. CCA subsequently entered into a new contract to use the facility to house adult detainees for ICE. See id.



Allen Report, ¶ 75.

⁵³ Allen Report, ¶¶ 75-76.

Allen Report, ¶ 75.

⁵⁵ CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2017, p. F-19. The facility was subsequently idled; see id.

- These contract losses left McRae as CCA's sole remaining BOP correctional contract as of December 31, 2019.⁵⁷ In contrast, in the years following the Yates Memorandum, GEO won multiple new BOP contracts.58
 - On May 26, 2017, GEO announced that it had been awarded two 10-year BOP contracts a. to house criminal aliens in its company-owned 1,800-bed Big Spring Facility and its company-owned 1,732 Flight Line Facility in Texas.59
 - b. On May 2, 2019, the GEO Group announced new contracts with the BOP to reactivate an 1,800-bed facility at North Lake Correctional Facility, and to provide management consulting and support services at the county-owned facilities with 1,376 beds.60
- Furthermore, notwithstanding the irrelevance of GEO's share price performance, had Ms. Allen extended her comparison of GEO's and CCA's performance to include the dates she identifies after the Yates Memorandum (in support her argument that CCA recovered after the presidential election), she would have found that GEO significantly outperformed CCA over this time. In particular, Ms. Allen would have found that GEO's cumulative return was 15 to 20 percentage points higher than that of CCA if she had extended her analysis through: November 8, 2016 (the presidential election); November 9, 2016 (the day after the presidential election); February 8, 2017 (the date of Jeff Sessions' confirmation as Attorney General); and February 23, 2017 (the date of Attorney General Sessions' rescission of the Yates Memorandum).61
- CCA's underperformance relative to GEO undermines Ms. Allen's claim that GEO is a relevant benchmark. If GEO's price fell for the same reasons as CCA's in response to the Yates Memorandum, and the price reaction was driven by a "policy shift," then one would expect CCA and GEO to have rebounded in a proportional fashion as it supposedly became more likely that said policy shift would be reversed. 62 Similarly, if CCA's stock price decline was solely the product of the industry-wide effect of a "policy shift," then the future trajectory of CCA's and GEO's BOP business should have proceeded on generally parallel tracks. Instead, GEO significantly outperformed CCA as previously discussed. This disparity demonstrates that GEO's and CCA's reactions to the Yates Memorandum were driven by factors specific to each company and that Ms. Allen's reference to GEO as a benchmark is inappropriate.

Allen Report, § VI.C.1.v.



CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2019, pp. 17-22.

⁵⁸ These facts also contradict Ms. Allen's suggestion that CCA's fortunes with the BOP reversed after the presidential election.

⁵⁹ The GEO Group, Inc. Form 10-K for period ending December 31, 2017, pp. 4-5.

Press release, "The GEO Group Announces Contracts with Bureau of Prisons for Company-Owned North Lake, Michigan Correctional Facility and Reeves County, Texas Detention Centers I, II and III," May 2, 2019.

⁶¹ Bloomberg, LP dividend-adjusted returns from August 17, 2016; Allen Report, ¶ 75.

E. Ms. Allen's Opinions Regarding the Cibola Contract Loss are Flawed and Inconsistent with Economic and Valuation Principles

- 37. Ms. Allen argues that "[t]here is no loss causation and no damages associated with CoreCivic's August 3, 2016 announcement of the Cibola non-renewal" because CCA's stock price did not experience a statistically significant abnormal return on August 2 or August 3, 2016 (as the news of the Cibola Contract Loss allegedly trickled into the marketplace).⁶³ She attributes the statistically significant return on August 4, 2016, to the renegotiation of the STFRC contract, not the Cibola Contract Loss.⁶⁴
- 38. While the Cibola Contract Loss may not have been directly observable in CCA's share price, Ms. Allen presents no evidence (and I am aware of none) to suggest that the loss of this contract was known or anticipated before the evening of August 1, 2016. From an economic perspective, the Cibola Contract Loss necessarily reduced CCA's value, which as I explain in the Dalrymple Report may be measured based on the Cibola contract's contribution to CCA's FFO.⁶⁵
- 39. Again, Ms. Allen ignores plaintiff's allegations and performs nothing more than a superficial examination of the Cibola Contract Loss in support of her conclusion that it had no impact on CCA's share price. As I discuss in the Dalrymple Report, the Cibola contract had been expected to contribute \$0.04 per share per year to FFO, and market participants reduced their expected earnings accordingly after learning of the Cibola Contract Loss. 66 Ms. Allen provides no basis to support the conclusion that the loss of these anticipated earnings should have *no* impact on CCA's stock price. Such a conclusion is inconsistent with economic and valuation principles.

IV. Further Work

40. My analysis is ongoing, and I reserve the right to supplement my opinions as additional information is made available.

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⁶⁶ Dalrymple Report, ¶¶ 62-64.



Allen Report, § VI.C.2. Ms. Allen reports that event studies find no statistically significant stock price reaction on August 2, 2016, but she does not appear to test August 3. See Allen Report, ¶ 81.

⁶⁴ Allen Report, ¶¶ 23, 82-83.

 $^{^{65}}$ Dalrymple Report, $\P\P$ 67-69.

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Expert Reports:

(1) Expert Report of Lucy Allen, dated August 7, 2020

CCA SEC Filings (2017-2019):

- (1) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017
- (2) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018
- (3) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019
- (4) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2017
- (5) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2017
- (6) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2017
- (7) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2018
- (8) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2018
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- (13) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2020
- (14) CoreCivic, Inc. Form 10-Q, for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2020

GEO Group SEC Filings (2016-2019):

- (1) The GEO Group, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016
- (2) The GEO Group, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017
- (3) The GEO Group, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018
- (4) The GEO Group, Inc. Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2019

Other Sources:

(1) GEO Group Press Release, "The GEO Group Announces Contracts with Bureau of Prisons for Company-Owned North Lake, Michigan Correctional Facility and Reeves County, Texas Detention Centers I, II and III," May 2, 2019